



M. W. BRO. AUBREY WHITE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRAND
LODGE OF
ANCIENT FREE and ACCEPTED MASONS
OF CANADA

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

ESPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS

HELD AT

WALKERTON ON THE 9TH AUGUST, 1910
COLDWATER ON THE 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1910
TORONTO ON THE 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1910
COBALT ON THE 28TH SEPTEMBER, 1910
THOROLD ON THE 1ST OCTOBER, 1910
CARLETON PLACE ON THE 28TH APRIL, 1911
CALEDON EAST ON THE 19TH MAY, 1911
BELLEVILLE ON THE 22ND JUNE, 1911

ALSO

FIFTY-SIXTH

Annual Communication

HELD AT THE CITY OF ST. CATHARINES

19th and 20th JULY, A. D. 1911 A. L. 5911



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Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS.

*At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of
Ontario, held at the Town of Walkerton, on Tues-
day the 9th day of August, A.D. 1910, A. L.
5910.*

Present :

M.W.Bro. Daniel F. Macwatt.....	Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. H. Clark	as Past Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. James Burns	as Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. J. H. Scott	as Grand Senior Warden.
V.W.Bro. G. W. Smith	as Grand Junior Warden.
Bro. R. Perdue.....	as Grand Chaplain.
W.Bro. M. H. Gillies	as Grand Treasurer.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn	as Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. John Grainger	as Assistant Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. E. Pengelly	as Grand Registrar.
W.Bro. W. T. Ross	as Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. W. H. McBurney .	as Grand Junior Deacon.
V.W.Bro. C. H. Witthun ...	as Grand Supt. of Works.
R.W.Bro. C. F. Harris	as Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
Bro. R. H. McKay	as Grand Organist.
Bro. F. W. Fisher	as Assistant Grand Organist
W.Bro. D. McKerracher	as Grand Sword Bearer.
W. Bro. A. P. Johnston ...	as Grand Pursuivant.
Bro. T. Patterson	} as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. A. B. Magee	
Bro. W. Kirstine	
Bro. John Arscott	
Bro. J. R. Gun	
W.Bro. James Ireland	
Bro. John Douglass	
Bro. John Joynt	} as Grand Tyler.
Bro. W. A. Clark	
Bro. W. H. Wells	

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from various lodges.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at one o'clock p.m. by M.W. Bro. Daniel F. Macwatt, Grand Master, who'announced that this Especial Communica-

tion of Grand Lodge had been called to assist him in laying the corner stone of St. Thomas' (Anglican) Church.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge Officers having received the necessary directions, the Grand Lodge was called off, a procession formed under the direction of the Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies, and marched to the site under prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The Rector of the church, the Rev. (Bro.) Richard Perdue, M.A., then addressed the M.W. the Grand Master, presented to him a suitable trowel, and requested him to lay the corner stone of the church according to ancient custom.

After the Grand Master's reply thereto the ceremony of laying the corner stone was proceeded with.

The Acting Grand Chaplain then asked a blessing and the Acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity of the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the Ninth day of August, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, the First
year of the reign of Our Gracious Sovereign,

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, KING,
Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA,

His Excellency the Right Hon. EARL GREY, P. C., G.C.M.G.,
G.C.V.O., being Governor-General of the Dominion of
Canada.

His Honor, JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D., being
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Right Hon. SIR WILFRID LAURIER, G.C.M.G., P.C.,
being Premier of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being
Premier of the Province of Ontario.

J. J. DONNELLY, being Member for South Bruce in the Parlia-
ment of Canada.

REUBEN E. TRUAX, being Member for South Bruce in the
Legislature of Ontario.

SAMUEL A. RIFE, being Mayor of the Town of Walkerton.

The Rev. RICHARD PERDUE, M.A., being the Rector and
THOMAS E. ATTWOOD and CHARLES F. BATE, being
Wardens of St. Thomas' Church,, Walkerton.

M.W. Bro DANIEL F. MACWATT, being Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of
Ontario.

R.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Deputy Grand Master of
the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. JAMES BURNS, being District Deputy Grand Master
of the North Huron District, No. 5.

This Corner Stone

of St. Thomas' Church (Anglican), was laid by the M. W. Bro.
Daniel Fraser Macwatt, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand
Lodge Officers and in the presence of a large concourse of
brethren and residents of Walkerton and the
surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity beneath the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone after it had been placed in position and announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty..

The M. W. the Grand Master consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession then reformed and the brethren returned to the lodge room, where the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.



R. H. G. M.
Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS.

*At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of
Ontario, held in the Village of Coldwater, on Fri-
day, the 2nd day of September, 1910, A.L. 5910.*

Present :

M.W.Bro. D. F. Macwatt	Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. G. E. J. Brown	Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. Wm. Hayden	Grand Senior Warden.
W.Bro. F. Porter	Grand Junior Warden.
W.Bro. A. D. Perry	Grand Treasurer.
V.W.Bro. Thos Pedler	Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. H. N. Smith	Grand Registrar.
W.Bro. Rev. J. H. Sheppard	Grand Chaplain.
W.Bro. Chas. Simons	Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. J. S. Wardell	Grand Junior Deacon.
W.Bro. W. J. Maguire	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
W.Bro. W. G. Hill	Grand Supt. of Works.
W.Bro. R. J. Sanderson	Grand Organist.
W.Bro. J. L. Thompson	Grand Sword Bearer
W.Bro. W. R. Kitchen	} as Grand Stewards.
Bro. H. Wellwood	
Bro. Dr. J. A. Harvey	
Bro. R. A. Brown	
W.Bro. C. G. Millard	Grand Pursuivant.
W.Bro. J. A. Sawyer	Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from the various lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 2 o'clock by the M. W. the Grand Master who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge was called to assist him in laying the corner stone of the new St. Matthias' (Anglican) church.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge officers having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off, a procession was formed under the Grand Director of Ceremonies and marched to the site of the prescribed

order, taking their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing, and the Grand Supt. of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 2nd day of September, A.D. 1910, in the first year of the
reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, KING,
Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA,

His Excellency the Right Honorable ALBERT HENRY GEORGE,
EARL GREY, G.C.M.G., Viscount Howick and Baron Grey
of Howick, Northumberland, being Governor-General of
the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D., being
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Right Honorable SIR WILFRID LAURIER, G.C.M.G.,
P.C., K.C., D.C.L., being Premier of the Dominion of
Canada.

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being
Premier of the Province of Ontario.

MANLEY CHEW, being Member for the Constituency of Simcoe
East in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada.

JAMES B. TUDHOPE, being member for the Constituency of
Simcoe East in the Legislative Assembly of the Province
of Ontario.

M.W. Bro. DANIEL FRASER MACWATT, being Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Deputy Grand Master of
the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. GEORGE E. J. BROWN, being District Deputy
Grand Master of the Georgian Masonic District, No. 9.

REV. J. H. SHEPPARD, being Rector, and JOHN FREEMAN
and GEORGE T. TIPPING being Wardens of St.
Matthias' Church.

This Corner Stone

Of St. Matthias' Church was laid by M.W. Bro. Daniel Fraser Macwatt, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers, and in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and citizens of Coldwater and the surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity in the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position and announced that the craftsmen had done their duty. The M. W. the Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil, and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren returned to the lodge room where Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.



R. H. G. G. G.
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS.

*At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of
Ontario, held in the City of Toronto, on Satur-
day, the 17th day of September 1910, A.L. 5910.*

Present :

M.W.Bro. D. F. Macwatt	Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. Aubrey White	Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. Lewis R. Terwilligar	Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. A. J. Brown	as Grand Junior Warden.
M.W.Bro. E. T. Malone	Grand Treasurer.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn	Grand Secretary.
R.W.Bro. Henry T. Smith	Grand Registrar.
R.W.Bro. Rev. W de la Rosa	Grand Chaplain.
V.W.Bro. K. J. Dunstan	Grand Senior Deacon.
V.W.Bro. A. G. Horwood.....	as Grand Junior Deacon.
V.W.Bro. Thomas McQuillan	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies
W.Bro. A. G. Saunders	as Asst. G. Dir. of Ceremonies.
V.W.Bro. A. Maccomb	Asst. Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. W. J. Guy	as Grand Supt. of Works.
V.W.Bro. Geo. K. Clemens	as Grand Organist.
R.W.Bro. Jos. Beck	as Asst. Grand Organist.
W.Bro. J. W. Rogers	as Grand Sword Bearer.
W.Bro. E. F. Walker	} as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. W. J. Farmery	
W.Bro. R. Thompson	
W.Bro. W. B. Stoneham	
W.Bro. S. Woodstock	
W.Bro. H. S. King	
W.Bro. A. M. Thorne	
W.Bro. R. Gourlay	
W.Bro. S. Nelson	
W.Bro. R. E. Porteous	
W.Bro. D. McDonald	
W.Bro. George McQuillan	as Grand Pursuivant.
W.Bro. W. S. Kerkland	as Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from
the various lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 1.30
o'clock by the M. W. the Grand Master, who announced

that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge was called to assist him in laying the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple, corner of College and Markham streets, Toronto.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge officers, having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off, a procession was formed under the Grand Director of Ceremonies and marched to the site in prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the north-east corner of the building.

The Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing, and the Grand Supt. of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 17th day of September, 1910, in the first year of the reign
of our Most Gracious Sovereign,

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, KING,
Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA,

His Excellency the Right Honorable ALBERT HENRY GEORGE,
EARL GREY, G.C.M.G., Viscount Howick and Baron Grey
of Howick, Northumberland, being Governor-General of
the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D., being
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Right Honorable SIR WILFRID LAURIER, G.C.M.G.,
P.C., K.C., D.C.L., being Premier of the Dominion of
Canada.

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C. being
Premier of the Province of Ontario.

E. B. OSLER, Esq., being Member for the Constituency of West
Toronto in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada.

W. D. McPHERSON, K.C., being Member for the Constituency
of West Toronto in the Legislative Assembly of the
Province of Ontario.

M.W. Bro. DANIEL FRASER MACWATT, being Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. A. J. BROWN, being District Deputy Grand Master of the Toronto West District, No. 11.

R.W. Bro. R. W. Brennan, being District Deputy Grand Master of the Toronto East District, No. 11a.

This Corner Stone

Of the Masonic Temple, corner of College and Markham Streets, Toronto, was laid by M.W. Bro. Daniel Fraser Macwatt, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers, and in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and citizens of the City of Toronto and surrounding district.

The Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity in the stone.

The Grand Wardens and the Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position, and announced that the craftsmen had done their duty. The M. W. the Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil, and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren returned to the place of meeting where Grand Lodge was closed:



R. G. G. G. G.
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS.

At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held in the Town of Cobalt, on Wednesday, the 28th day of September, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.

Present :

M.W.Bro. D. F. Macwatt	Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. Frank W. Haynes	as Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. A. J. Young	as Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. A. C. Rorabeck	as Grand Junior Warden.
W.Bro. Frank K. Ebbitt	as Grand Treasurer.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn	as Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. J. D. Byrnes	as Grand Registrar.
Bro. E. B. S. Spencer	as Grand Chaplain.
Bro. M. McLeod	as Grand Senior Deacon.
Bro. Lester Neil	as Grand Junior Deacon.
W.Bro. A. J. Carson	as Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
R.W.Bro. A. J. Whitby	as Grand Supt. of Works.
Bro. George Caldbeck	as Grand Sword Bearer.
W.Bro. G. S. Stewart	as Grand Pursuivant.
W.Bro. John Stevenson	as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. R. D. Robinson	}
W.Bro. D. W. McLeod	Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from the various lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in due form at 3 o'clock p.m. by the M. W. the Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called for the purpose of assisting him to lay the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple of Silver Lodge No. 486, Cobalt.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge officers, having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off, a procession was formed under the acting Grand Director of Ceremonies, and marched to the site

in the prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing and the acting Grand Supt. of Works read the following scroll, which was deposited in the cavity in the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 28th day of September, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, and the first year of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign,

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, KING,
Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA,

His Excellency the Right Honorable ALBERT HENRY GEORGE, EARL GREY, G.C.M.G., Viscount Howick and Baron Grey of Howick, Northumberland, being Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D., being Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Right Honorable SIR WILFRID LAURIER, G.C.M.G., P.C., K.C., D.C.L., being Premier of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being Premier of the Province of Ontario.

GEORGE GORDON, being Member for the Constituency of Nipissing in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada.

ROBERT T. SHILLINGTON, being Member for the Constituency of Temiscaming in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

M.W. Bro. DANIEL FRASER MACWATT, being Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. FRANK W. HAYNES, being District Deputy Grand Master of Nipissing District, No. 18.

This Corner Stone

Of the Cobalt Masonic Temple, was laid by M.W. Bro. Daniel Fraser Macwatt, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers, in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and citizens of Cobalt and the surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity in the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone after it had been placed in position, and announced that the craftsmen had done their duty. The M. W. the Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil, and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren returned to the lodge room, where Grand Lodge was closed.



R. G. G. G. G.
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS.

*At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of
Ontario, held at the Town of Thorold, on the 1st
day of October, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.*

Present :

M.W.Bro. Daniel F. Macwatt	.....	Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. Robert G. Hoover	.....	as Past Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. George H. Pettitt	.. ..	as Deputy Grand Master.
W.Bro. Donald J. C. Munro	.....	as Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. Robert G. W. Cornolly	.....	as Grand Junior Warden.
R.W.Bro. W. de la Rosa	....	Grand Chaplain.
R.W.Bro. George Burtch	.....	as Grand Treasurer.
W.Bro. Samuel G. Gattley	.....	as Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. Richard G. Varey	.....	as Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. Arthur F. McGill	.. ..	as Grand Junior Deacon.
R.W.Bro. James E. Merrimon	.....	as Grand Supt. of Works.
W.Bro. Robert L. Dunn	....	as Grand Sword Bearer.
V.W.Bro. William Burleigh	.....	Grand Pursuivant.
Bro. George Tinlin	.....	as Grand Organist.
W.Bro. William McGill	.....	} as Grand Stewards.
Bro. Walter W. Grenville	....	
Bro. Frank W. Hoover	....	
Bro. John McIntosh	... ..	
Bro. Ernest Bradley	... ..	}
W.Bro. James Arnold	.....	
W.Bro. Thomas Main	... ..	as Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from
the various lodges in the surrounding district.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 12.30
o'clock afternoon by the M. W. the Grand Master, who
announced that this Especial Communication of Grand
Lodge had been called to assist him in laying the corner
stone of The Organ Chamber of St. John's Church,
built in loving memory of his late Majesty King Edward
VII.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge officers, having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off, a procession was formed under the acting Grand Director of Ceremonies and marched to the site in prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 1st day of October A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, in the first
year of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, KING,
Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA.

His Excellency the Right Honorable ALBERT HENRY GEORGE,
EARL GREY, G.C.M.G., Viscount Howick and Baron Grey
of Howick, Northumberland, being Governor-General of
the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D., being
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Right Honorable SIR WILFRID LAURIER, G.C.M.G.,
P.C., K.C., D.C.L., being Premier of the Dominion of
Canada.

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being
Premier of the Province of Ontario.

WILLIAM M. GERMAN, K.C., Esquire, being member for the
Constituency of Welland in the Parliament of Canada.

EVAN EUGENE FRASER, Esquire, being Member for the Con-
stituency of Welland in the Legislative Assembly of the
Province of Ontario.

M.W. Bro. DANIEL FRASER MACWATT, being Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Deputy Grand Master of
the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. R. G. HOOVER, being District Deputy Grand
Master of the Niagara District, No. 10.

The Right Reverend J. P. DuMoulin, D.D. D.C.L., being Lord Bishop of the Diocese of Niagara; The Reverend F. C. Piper, being Rector of the Parish of Thorold; W. M. Hender-shot, Esquire, being People's Warden of St. John's Church; C. J. Ingles, Esquire, being Rector's Warden of St. John's Church; T. H. Wiley, Esquire, of St. Catharines, being Architect; William Justice, of Thorold, being Contractor.

This Corner Stone

Was laid by M.W. Bro. Daniel Fraser Macwatt, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers, and in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and inhabitants of Thorold and the surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phail containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity beneath the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone after it had been placed in position, and announced that the craftsmen had done their duty. The Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was then reformed, and the brethren returned to the lodge rooms, where Grand Lodge was closed.



R. H. Gunning
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS.

*At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of
Ontario, held at the Town of Carleton Place, on
Friday the 28th day of April, A.D. 1911, A.L.
5911.*

Present :

M.W.Bro. D. F. Macwatt	Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. W. M. Ross	as Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. S. A. Luke	as Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. J. C. Bertram	as Grand Junior Warden
R.W.Bro. W. McDonald	as Grand Chaplain.
R.W.Bro. S. M. Snedden	as Grand Treasurer.
R.W.Bro. D. H. McIntosh	as Grand Secretary.
R.W.Bro. J. H. Leach	as Grand Senior Deacon.
R.W.Bro. J. P. Miller	as Grand Junior Deacon.
R.W.Bro. J. R. Reid	as Grand Supt. of Works.
R.W.Bro. J. C. Scott	as Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
R.W.Bro. George S. May	as Asst. Grand Secretary.
V.W.Bro. W. T. Hand	as Grand Sword Bearer.
W.Bro. R. B. Harrison and A. H. Edwards	as Grand Standard Bearers.
W.Bro. E. J. McClury	as Grand Pursuivant.
W.Bro. L. W. Coutlee	as Grand Organist.
W.Bro. N. C. McAllister	as Asst. Grand Organist.
V.W.Bro. J. C. Switzer	} as Grand Stewards.
V.W.Bro. J. M. Sinclair	
W.Bro. W. J. Rothwell	
W.Bro. D. McLaren	
W.Bro. P. Hope	
W.Bro. F. V. Buffam	} as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. A. G. Foster	
W.Bro. S. W. Bradley	as Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from the various lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 2 o'clock p.m. by M. W. D. F. Macwatt, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called to assist him in laying the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge officers having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off and the brethren proceeded to the site in the prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone:

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On the 28th day of April A.D. 1911, in the first year of the
reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign,

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, KING,
Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA,

His Excellency the Right Honorable ALBERT HENRY GEORGE,
EARL GREY, G.C.M.G., Viscount Howick and Baron Grey
of Howick, Northumberland, being Governor-General of
the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D., being
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Right Honorable SIR WILFRID LAURIER, G.C.M.G.,
P.C., K.C., D.C.L., being Premier of the Dominion of
Canada

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being
Premier of the Province of Ontario.

WILLIAM THOBURN, Esquire, being Member for the Constitu-
ency of North Lanark in the Parliament of the Dominion
of Canada.

RICHARD F. PRESTON, Esquire, being Member for the Con-
stituency of North Lanark in the Legislative Assembly of
the Province of Ontario.

DAVID SMYTHE, being Mayor of the Town of Carleton Place.

M.W. Bro. DANIEL FRASER MACWATT, being Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Deputy Grand Master of
the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. WALTER M. ROSS, being District Deputy Grand Master of the Ottawa District, No. 16.

This Corner Stone

Of the Masonic Temple was laid by M.W. Bro. Daniel Fraser Macwatt, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers, and in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and residents of Carleton Place and the surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity beneath the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position, and announced that the craftsmen had done their duty.

The M. W. the Grand Master consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession reformed and the brethren returned to the lodge room, where Grand Lodge was closed.



R. L. Gumm
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS.

*At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of
Ontario, held at the Village of Caledon East, on
Friday, the 19th day of May, A.D. 1911, A.L.
5911.*

Present :

M.W.Bro. D. F. Macwatt	Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. A. J. Brown	as Deputy Grand Master.
W.Bro. J. R. Follis	as Grand Senior Warden.
W.Bro. F. N. Leavens	as Grand Junior Warden.
W.Bro. G. A. Norton	as Grand Chaplain.
W.Bro. G. W. Burney	as Grand Treasurer.
V.W.Bro. Thos. Pedler	as Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. H. W. Shoemaker	as Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. Jno. Carr	as Grand Junior Deacon.
V.W.Bro. A. Maynard	as Grand Supt. of Works.
R.W.Bro. A. J. Brown	as Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
W.Bro. John Fleetham	as Asst. Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. George Young	as Grand Sword Bearer.
W.Bro. John Graham	as Grand Registrar.
W.Bro. W. C. Burrill	as Grand Organist.
W.Bro. G. W. McCullough	as Grand Pursuivant.
W.Bro. J. H. Moffat	} as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. Jas. Rutherford	
W.Bro. E. Madill	
W.Bro. Robt. Nelson	
W.Bro. Jno. Phillips	}
W.Bro. J. O. Proctor	
	as Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from the various lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 1.30 o'clock p.m. by the M. W. the Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called to assist him in laying the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge officers having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was

called off, a procession was formed under the Grand Director of Ceremonies and marched to the site in prescribed order, taking up their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 19th day of May, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, in the first year
of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, KING,
Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA,

His Excellency the Right Honorable ALBERT HENRY GEORGE,
EARL GREY, G.C.M.G., Viscount Howick and Baron Grey
of Howick, Northumberland, being Governor-General of
the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D., being
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Right Honorable SIR WILFRID LAURIER, G.C.M.G.,
P.C., K.C., D.C.L., being Premier of the Dominion of
Canada.

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being
Premier of the Province of Ontario.

RICHARD BLAIN, Esquire being Member for the Constituency
of Peel in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada.

SAMUEL CHARTERS, Esquire being Member for the Constitu-
ency of Peel in the Legislative Assembly of the
Province of Ontario.

M.W. Bro. DANIEL FRASER MACWATT, being Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Deputy Grand Master of
the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. A. J. BROWN, being District Deputy Grand Master
of the Toronto West District, No. 11.

This Corner Stone

Was laid by M.W. Bro. Daniel Fraser Macwatt, Grand Master,
assisted by the Grand Lodge officers, and in the presence of
a large concourse of brethren and inhabitants of Caledon
East and the surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity beneath the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone after it had been placed in position, and announced that the craftsmen had done their duty. The Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren returned to the lodge rooms, where Grand Lodge was closed.



R. H. Gunn
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS.

*At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the Province of
Ontario, held at the City of Belleville, on the
22nd day of June, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.*

Present :

M.W.Bro. D. F. Macwatt	.....	Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. S. S. Lazier	.....	as Past Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. A. McGinnis	.....	as Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. L. R. Terwilliger	.....	Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. Henry Pringle	....	as Grand Junior Warden.
R.W.Bro. Wm. Webster	....	as Grand Treasurer.
V.W.Bro. Thomas Pedler	.....	as Grand Secretary.
V.W.Bro. J. J. Farley	....	as Grand Registrar.
W.Bro. Rev. D. F. Bogart	.....	as Grand Chaplain.
V.W.Bro. H. F. Ketcheson	.....	as Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. D. Barrigar	.....	as Grand Junior Deacon.
R.W.Bro. John Newton	....	as G. Dir. of Ceremonies.
R.W.Bro. W. N. Ponton	.....	as G. Supt. of Works.
V.W.Bro. F. E. O'Flynn	.....	as Asst. Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. A. E. McCall	....	} as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. D. Price	....	
W.Bro. W. J. Campbell	.....	
Bro. W. Hill	.....	as Grand Sword Bearer.
Bro. N. Paflément	.....	as Grand Pursuivant.
Bro. Chas. A. Hulley	.....	as Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from the various lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 1.30 p.m. by M. W. Bro. Daniel F. Macwatt, Grand Master who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called to assist him in laying the corner stone of the new Young Men's Christian Association building.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge officers, having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off and the brethren proceeded to the site in the prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 22nd day of June, A.D. 1911, in the second year of the
reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign,

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas, KING,
Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA,

His Excellency the Right Honorable ALBERT HENRY GEORGE,
EARL GREY, G.C.M.G., Viscount Howick and Baron Grey
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Canada.

The Honorable SIR JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being
Premier of the Province of Ontario.

EDWARD GUS PORTER, Esquire, being member for the Con-
stituency of West Hastings in the Parliament of the
Dominion of Canada.

JOHN W. JOHNSON, Esquire, being Member for the Constitu-
ency of West Hastings in the Legislative Assembly
of the Province of Ontario.

M.W. Bro. DANIEL FRASER MACWATT, being Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Deputy Grand Master of
the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario.

R.W. Bro. H. H. POST, being District Deputy Grand Master
of the Prince Edward District, No. 13.

D. V. Sinclair, Esquire, President; R. J. Graham, Esquire, P.P.;
J. Hess, Secretary, Belleville Y.M.C.A.

This Corner Stone

Of the Young Men's Christian Association Building, was laid by M.W. Bro. Daniel Fraser Macwatt, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers and in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and residents of the City of Belleville and the surrounding district.

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The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone after it had been placed in position and announced that the craftsmen had done their duty.

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The procession then reformed and the brethren returned to the Lodge room where Grand Lodge was closed.



R. H. Gumm
Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS.

*At the Fifty-Sixth Annual Communication of the
Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario, held at the City of St. Catharines,
commencing Wednesday the 19th day of
July, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.*

There were present :

THE GRAND MASTER.

M.W. Bro. Daniel Fraser Macwatt on the throne.

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

R.W. Bro. Aubrey White.

R.W.Bro. Lewis R. Terwilligar...	Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. H. R. H. Kenner	Grand Junior Warden.
R.W.Bro. Rev. W. de la Rosa ...	Grand Chaplain.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn	Grand Secretary.
R.W.Bro. Henry T. Smith	Grand Registrar.
V.W.Bro. K. J. Dunstan	Grand Senior Deacon.
R.W.Bro. T. D. Minnes	as Grand Junior Deacon.
V.W.Bro. Thos. McQuillan	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
V.W.Bro. R. S. Thompson	Asst. G. Dir. of Ceremonies.
V.W.Bro. A. Maccomb	Asst. Grand Secretary.
V.W.Bro. John J. McMahon.....	Grand Sword Bearer.
V.W.Bro. Thomas Pedler	as Grand Organist.
R.W.Bro. J. B. Nixon	as Asst. Grand Organist.
V.W.Bro. W. H. Hewson	Grand Supt. of Works.
V.W.Bro. W. W. Burleigh	Grand Pursuivant.
V.W.Bro. Jos. Ellerton ...	} Grand Stewards.
V.W.Bro. W. G. Hill	
V.W.Bro. Jos. Wilson	
V.W.Bro. E. T. Huston	
V.W.Bro. C. A. Boehm	
V.W.Bro. L. Grant	
R.W.Bro. C. G. McDermott	Grand Tyler.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

R.W.Bro. F. D. Laurie	Erie	District No	1
R.W.Bro. Thos. Montgomery ...	St. Clair	"	2
R.W.Bro. J. C. Spencer	London	"	3

R.W.Bro. Fred Holwell	South Huron	"	4
R.W.Bro. James Burns	North Huron	"	5
R.W.Bro. Geo. Naylor	Wilson	"	6
R.W.Bro. James Ireland	Wellington	"	7
R.W.Bro. G. R. Lloyd	Hamilton	"	8
R.W.Bro. Geo. E. J. Brown.....	Georgian	"	9
R.W.Bro. J. E. Merriman	Niagara	"	10
R.W.Bro. A. J. Brown	Toronto West	"	11
R.W.Bro. R. W. Brennen	Toronto East	"	11a
R.W.Bro. James B. Begg	Ontario	"	12
R.W.Bro. H. H. Post	Prince Edward	"	13
R.W.Bro. R. G. Graham	Frontenac	"	14
R.W.Bro. Thomas Dowell	St. Lawrence	"	15
R.W.Bro. W. M. Ross	Ottawa	"	16
R.W.Bro. F. W. Haynes	Nipissing	"	18
R.W.Bro. J. W. Harris	Muskoka	"	19
R.W.Bro. A. W. McLeod	Otonabee	"	20
R.W.Bro. H. C. Jones	Eastern	"	21

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES FROM GRAND LODGE OF

R.W.Bro. A. J. Young	Alberta.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn	British Columbia.
R.W.Bro. D. J. Goggin	Saskatchewan.
R.W.Bro. L. Secord	New Zealand
R.W.Bro. George S. May	Queensland.
R.W.Bro. A. F. Webster	Tasmania.
R.W.Bro. W. D. McPherson	Victoria.
M.W.Bro. Henry Robertson	District of Columbia.
R.W.Bro. G. H. Clendennan	Florida.
M.W.Bro. W. R. White	Georgia.
R.W.Bro. Abraham Shaw	Illinois.
R.W.Bro. W. G. Reid	Kansas.
M.W.Bro. D. F. Macwatt	Louisiana.
R.W.Bro. Aubrey White	Maryland.
R.W.Bro. A. H. Clark	Michigan.
R.W.Bro. C. W. Haentschel	Minnesota.
R.W.Bro. F. W. Harcourt	Nebraska.
R.W.Bro. Wm. Rea	New Mexico.
M.W.Bro. A. T. Freed	New York.
R.W.Bro. John Hoodless	North Carolina.
R.W.Bro. J. G. Liddell	Oklahoma.
R.W.Bro. W. R. Cavell	Rhode Island.
R.W.Bro. J. C. Bartram	South Carolina.
M.W.Bro. E. T. Malone	South Dakota.
R.W.Bro. Jas. McLauchlan	Tennessee.
R.W.Bro. S. A. Luke	Vermont.
R.W.Bro. W. C. Wilkinson	Washington.
M.W.Bro. J. E. Harding	West Virginia.
R.W.Bro. A. E. Cooper	Belgium.
R.W.Bro. George Tait	Isle of Cuba.
R.W.Bro. W. J. Drope	Peru.

The above named Grand Representatives were received and welcomed by the M. W. the Grand Master and were accorded Grand Honors.

PAST GRAND OFFICERS

Past Grand Masters—M. W. Bros. Henry Robertson, W. R. White, A. T. Fred, E. T. Malone and J. E. Harding.

Past District Deputy Grand Masters—R. W. Bros. John Hoodless, W. J. Drope, Aubrey White, F. W. Harcourt, R. L. Gunn, G. S. May, S. A. Luke, A. Shaw, Wm. Jackson, W. H. Walkey, James Ross, F. Guest, J. G. Liddell, W. N. Ponton, Wm. Rea, P. W. D. Broderick, T. D. Minnes, J. E. Francis, W. D. McPherson, J. B. Way, J. B. Nixon, John Jardine, J. A. Macfadden, Jas. Whitten, A. H. Clark, R. H. Revell, C. W. Haentschel, A. J. Young, Wm. Webster, Henry Pringle, Alex. Cowan, W. T. Hands, John Newton, J. deW. Randall, Spencer Love, A. B. Carscallen, J. S. Lovell, J. A. Tancock, R. G. W. Connolly, R. H. Spencer, Lyman Lee, D. H. McIntosh, E. M. Carleton, James McLaughlan, J. F. Power, H. J. Johnston, John Ridley, D. W. Houston, Chris. Hodgins, J. A. Messecar, J. A. V. Preston, John Watson, E. Finlay, R. N. Fraser, A. F. Webster, John A. Shaw, F. W. Randall, Jas. Haywood, Isaac Huber, John Wilson, G. H. Pettit, A. J. Anderson, W. F. Bald, W. A. Sneach, J. H. Argue, R. Hillier, W. H. Robinson, W. T. Toner, A. E. Cooper, A. W. Chrysler, Curran Morrison, J. W. Bethune, J. B. Tiernay.

Past Grand Senior Wardens—R. W. Bro. Henry A. Taylor, L. Secord.

Past Grand Junior Wardens—R. W. Bros. P. A. Somerville, J. C. Bartram, A. K. Wanless, H. T. White.

Past Grand Registrars—R. W. Bros. D. Rutherford, Lud K. Cameron, E. C. Davies.

Past Grand Chaplains—R. W. Bros. Rev. F. C. Harper, Rev. A. J. F. Cobb, Rev. W. L. Baynes-Reed.

Past Grand Senior Deacons—V. W. Bro. A. E. Hagerman, T. E. Epps, A. Park, R. F. Richardson.

Past Grand Junior Deacons—V. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, D. Robertson, H. Leeson, Jas. Cheyne.

Past Grand Directors of Ceremonies—V. W. Bro. W. C. Wilkinson, John Pearson.

Past Assistant Grand Secretaries—V. W. Bro. Robert McKnight, John Boyd, J. H. McCabe.

Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies—V. W. Bro. A. G. Horwood.

Past Grand Superintendent of Works—V. W. Bro. E. Barber.

Past Grand Organists—V. W. Bro. F. P. Warne.

Past Grand Stewards—V. W. Bros. H. F. Ketcheson, A. McLaren, Jas. Old, R. Sloggett, G. A. Aylesworth, C. C. Norris F. D. Diamond, Thos. Pedler, D. M. Grant, Jos Ellerton. J. H. Dickenson.

Past Grand Standard Bearers—V. W. Bro. W. J. McAllister.

Past Grand Pursuivants—V. W. Bro. J. G. Constable.

His Worship, James M. McBride, Esq., Mayor of the City of St. Catharines, was introduced by R. W. Bro. J. E. Merriman, D.D.G.M. of the Niagara District, and delivered the following address of welcome:

To the Grand Master, Officers and Representatives of the Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M. .

Gentlemen :

I am pleased to see so large a gathering of representatives here to-day and it gives me very great pleasure to express to you on behalf of the City Council and Citizens of this the Garden City of Canada our earnest appreciation of your kind consideration in assembling the Grand Lodge in our city at this time.

As the Chief Executive of the City, it gives me the utmost pleasure and satisfaction to welcome you and extend to you the freedom of the city. I desire to thank you most sincerely for the honor you have conferred upon St. Catharines, by choosing it as your meeting place this year, and can only repeat that our citizens, one and all, bear nothing but the heartiest feelings of welcome towards the distinguished gentlemen who comprise your Grand Lodge, numbering with it as it does, some of the most eminent educationists, lawyers, doctors, clergymen, together with those following the mercantile and industrial pursuits in this favored country to-day.

The Masonic order has a proud history—a record abounding with works for the betterment of mankind, of acts of benevolence and Christian charity, the mere telling of which would fill many hundreds of volumes. We honor the Masonic order for what it has been—for what it is to-day.

I am delighted to see so large a gathering of your representatives here to-day. You have a duty to perform with that fraternal tie that binds and that prevailing influence for good which you have always exercised, commanding the admiration and respect of the whole world. So long as your grand and great principles prevail, and fraternal love exists, so long will your great Order prevail in harmony.

And while you are justly proud of your Order, I will be excused if I take this opportunity to say a word about ourselves—our city of St. Catharines. We have a beautiful city—second to none in the Dominion. We are a city of progress. Some of you gentlemen may have visited St. Catharines years ago; if so, I

think you will agree with me that we are making rapid progress. We have paved nearly all our leading streets, and more are projected, and we have now miles of lovely boulevards. We have earned the name of Garden City very meritoriously. We have striven to produce a municipality filled with beauty and wholesomeness, tending to be not only a joy and comfort to the citizens who are proud to call St. Catharines their home, but to provide favorable comment from strangers who from time to time come amongst us. The result has been that St. Catharines takes no second place as a residential city. We have an energetic horticultural society, whose members vie with one another in endeavoring to make their lawns and gardens beautiful and in inducing others to do so. Civic beauty is one of our prized assets. Each citizen or resident, inspired with the proper local patriotism, and backed by an influential organization, has done his share in bringing about this exceedingly desirable state of affairs in St. Catharines. Of course there is work in this direction yet to be done, but we are aiming for the goal of civic perfection, and after you have taken a walk through some of our streets, you will perhaps agree with me that we are succeeding very well.

But St. Catharines has many other advantages besides being an ideal place to live in. We are a manufacturing city as well, possessing several of the finest industries in the country. These are being added to constantly, and I am proud to say that everything points to it being a large manufacturing centre at no distant day. Our inducements to manufacturers to locate here are many. We have unexcelled transportation facilities, by railway, steam and electric roads, and water—the Welland canal running through the city.

The city is surrounded on all sides by an unlimited supply of cheap power. Niagara Falls, where something like four hundred thousand horsepower is developed, is only twelve miles away, while De Cew Falls, developing sixty thousand horsepower, and supplying St. Catharines, is right at our gates—only two miles distant.

I have already mentioned quite sufficiently the beauties of St. Catharines, so let me add a word about the vast fruit growing industry surrounding us. Every year we send from here hundreds of carloads of the finest grown fruit in the world, to all parts of the Dominion, from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Our shippers have even lately branched out still farther and have sent our Niagara Fruit across the ocean into the Old Country markets.

I am sure, gentlemen, if you are ever fortunate enough to visit St. Catharines during the fruit season, you will agree that this certainly is the garden of Canada—of the North American continent I might add. All I can do is to warmly welcome you back to the city to see for yourselves, when the peaches and grapes are being garnered and sent away.

Gentlemen, I will not detain you longer with the praises of our city, knowing you have a great many duties to perform. I trust that your deliberations will result in much good to your

noble Order, and that when the time comes to part with us, you will carry back to your homes, kind recollections of your visit to St. Catharines, and that you will honor us with another visit of your Grand Lodge in the near future. In closing, let me repeat, the freedom of the city is yours, and I hope you will find that our hospitality consists not in mere words only.

JAMES M. McBRIDE,
Mayor.

The Grand Master replied in suitable terms, expressing his appreciation and the appreciation of Grand Lodge of the very warm welcome extended by His Worship to the members, and commenting on the beauty the progressiveness, and the prosperity of the city and the surrounding country, and the enterprise and loyalty of the citizens. He expressed his confident hope that the future has in store for them a continued and increasing advancement in all things desirable, and he requested His Worship to convey to the citizens of St. Catharines the kindest expressions of thanks and good will of the members of Grand Lodge.

GRAND LODGE OPENED.

A constitutional number of lodges being represented, Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 10.30 o'clock a.m., and the Grand Chaplain implored a blessing from the G.A.O.T.U. upon the proceedings.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

R.W. Bro. Robert H. Revell, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials of representatives and proxies from lodges, reported that there were 413 warranted lodges on the register; 243 are represented by the regular officers, 74 by proxy, and 20 by Past Masters; a total of 337 lodges represented. There were 947 names registered, having a total of 1,580 votes. The following are the names of those present:

No. 2

Niagara, Niagara.

W.Bro. Thos. Stewart, W.M.; R.W. Bro. J. DeW. Randall, W. Bro. W. E. Lee, P Ms.

No. 3

Ancient St. John's, Kingston

W. Bro. W. H. Gimblett, W.M.; Bro. P. H. Burne, J.W.

- No. 5** **Sussex, Brockville.**
W. Bro. E. A. McKenzie, W.M.; R. W. Bro. Thomas Dowell, P.M.
- No. 6** **The Barton, Hamilton.**
M.W. Bro. A. T. Freed, R.W. Bro. John Hoodless, W. Bros. Thos. Booker, Geo. H. Bull and S. M. Kenney, P.Ms.
- No. 7** **Union, Grimsby.**
W. Bro. W. W. Kydd, W.M.; R.W. Bro. W. J. Drope, W. Bros. W. F. Clark, J. H. Foreman, W. F. Randall, A. E. Phipps and C. T. Farrell, P.Ms.
- No. 9** **Union, Napanee.**
W. Bro. J. W. Thompson, W.M.
- No. 10** **Norfolk, Simcoe.**
W. Bro. W. J. Schuyler, W.M.
- No. 11** **Moira, Belleville**
W. Bro. R. C. Blagrove, W.M.; R.W. Bro. John Newton, V.W. Bro. H. F. Ketcheson, W. Bro. W. W. Anderson, P.Ms.
- No. 14** **True Britons, Perth.**
Bro. F. Hutchison, J.W.; R.W. Bro. W. T. Hands, P.M.
- No. 15** **St. George's, St. Catharines.**
W. Bro. E. W. Smith, W.M.; Bro. Rich. Wilson, J.W.; R.W. Bro. C. G. McDermott, V.W. Bro. A. McLaren, W. Bros. L. Yale, George Burch, Geo. E. Burch, W. M. Shaw, H. O' Laughlin, A. T. Riddell and F. C. McCordick, P.Ms.
- No. 16** **St. Andrew's, Toronto**
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W. Bro. Ernest Robson, W.M.
- No. 390 Florence, Florence**
W. Bro. J. Beatty, W.M.; W. Bro. Wm. A. Kelly, P.M.
- No. 392 Huron, Camlachie**
W. Bro. E. R. Wilkie, W.M.
- No. 393 Forest, Chesley**
W. Bro. W. T. Ross, P.M. and proxy; W. Bro. Arch. Dawson, P.M.
- No. 394 King Solomon's, Thamesford**
W. Bro. H. S. Eyre, W.M.; Bro. W. H. Dunlop, J.W.; W. Bro. F. Patterson, P.M.
- No. 395 Parvaim, Comber**
V.W. Bro. W. J. Brown, P.M. and proxy. W. Bro. Thos. Beattie, P. M.
- No. 397 Leopold, Brigden**
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- No. 422 **Star of the East, Bothwell**
W. Bro. J. J. Vincent, P.M. and proxy.
- No. 423 **Strong, Sundridge**
W. Bro. W. H. Johnston, P.M. and proxy.

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No. 435 Havelock, Havelock
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W. Bro. J. C. McCullough, W. M.

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George E. J. Brown, P.M.
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W. Bro. Geo. Gardiner, W.M.
- No. 462** **Temiskaming, New Liskeard**
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P.M.
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- No. 477 Harding, Woodville**
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- No. 478 Milverton, Milverton**
W. Bro. Edgar Siegner, W.M.; W. Bro. Thomas Hutchison, P.M.
- No. 479 Russell, Russell**
W. Bro. W. J. Lowrie, W.M.
- No. 480 Williamsburg, North Williamsburg**
W. Bro. O. P. Becker, W.M.
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- No. 484 Golden Star, Dryden**
W. Bro. W. A. Quibell, P.M. and proxy.
- No. 485 Haileybury, Haileybury**
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- No. 486 Silver, Cobalt**
W. Bro. W. E. T. Barton, W.M.
- No. 488 King Edward, Harrow**
W. Bro. G. A. Hassard, W.M.
- No. 489 Osiris, Smith's falls**
W. Bro. J. F. O'Brien, W.M.
- No. 492 Karnak, Coldwater.**
W. Bro. Chas. Simons, W.M.
- No. 493 St. Marys, St. Marys.**
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No. 497

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W. Bro. J. W. Brown, W.M.

R.W. Bro. J. E. Merriman, D.D.G.M., introduced the Worshipful Masters of the local lodges in St. Catharines, who presented the following address of welcome to the Grand Master.

ADDRESS OF THE CRAFT IN ST. CATHARINES TO THE GRAND MASTER.

To the Most Worshipful Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M., of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

On behalf of the Masons of St. Catharines and of the surrounding district, we have much pleasure on the fifty-sixth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in welcoming you, Most Worshipful Sir, and with you the Officers and members of Grand Lodge to this, the Garden City of the Province of Ontario.

This district may be justly claimed as one of the cradles of Free Masonry in this Province, and possesses the proud distinction of having within its borders the oldest lodge on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Canada. From the earliest days to the present the Masons of this city and of this historic peninsula have ever been foremost in their adherence to the principles of Free Masonry and in the unfailing allegiance to the Grand Lodge. Their continued loyalty to the sacred tenets of our noble Order, we continue to re-affirm to-day and again we tender you a hearty and fraternal greeting.

It is with great pleasure, Most Worshipful Sir, that we congratulate you on the efficient discharge of the duties of your exalted position and on the generous devotion of your time to further the interests of Masonry throughout the Province. We feel that in your hands the Ancient Landmarks of our order so well preserved in the past have been equally well guarded during your incumbence as Grand Master. We are also especially pleased at the success that has attended the Lodges of Instruction—many of which have been conducted under your special supervision in different parts of the Province and we are also glad to note the satisfactory state of the semi-centennial Fund which has received your fostering care.

In offering the officers and members of the Grand Lodge our welcome, we trust that your stay among us will be both pleasant

and profitable; that the principles of Masonry will be enhanced, and that the recollections of your visit to this city will be in after days a source of pleasure.

May the Great Architect of the Universe guide you in all your deliberations, and may all your discussions be marked with that harmony so characteristic of our Noble Order.

E. W. SMITH, W.M., St. Georges, No. 15

G. H. SHERWOOD, W.M. Maple Leaf, No. 103.

JAMES McINTOSH, W.M., Temple, No. 296.

The M.W. the Grand Master, in thanking the delegation for their very fraternal words of welcome, commented upon the well-known Masonic spirit which prevails and has always prevailed, in the Niagara Peninsula. He congratulated the St. Catharines lodges on their prosperity and efficiency, and he cordially voiced the appreciation of the officers and members of Grand Lodge for the active and kindly attentions which had been paid by the Reception Committee in looking after the comfort of the delegates.

The M.W. Grand Master granted permission for the admission to the side seats of Grand Lodge of all Master Masons in good standing as visitors.

The Grand Secretary read the rules and regulations for the government of Grand Lodge during the time of business.

The Grand Secretary commenced to read the minutes of Proceedings at the last annual communication, when it was

Moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone and

Resolved. That the minutes of the Proceedings of Grand Lodge at the Fifty-fifth Annual Communication, held in the City of Belleville, on the 20th and 21st days of July, A.D. 1910, having been printed and copies thereof forwarded to the constituent lodges, the same be considered as read and they be now confirmed.

Letters and telegrams of regret were read from M. W. Bros. Hon. William Gibson, J. H. Burritt, and Benjamin Allen; R.W. Bros J. C. Boyd and J. Kerr Bryden.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to send the following message of sympathy to M.W. Bro. Burritt:

"To. J. H. Burritt, Esq., Pembroke:

"Grand Lodge regrets the loss of your wise counsel at this Annual Communication and extends its warm sympathy for you in your illness, and trusts that you will make a speedy recovery."

R. L. GUNN, Grand Secretary.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Brethren of Grand Lodge:

I welcome you to the fifty-sixth Annual Communication, and can again say that, through the goodness of the Almighty, we have had a prosperous year in every way.

For the year ended 31st May, 1910, the revenue of Grand Lodge was \$41,207.39, and for the year ended 31st May, 1911, it was \$42,383.81, an increase of \$1,176.42.

The expenditure for ordinary purposes was \$16,797.07, leaving a surplus of \$25,586.74 as against one last year of \$26,020.86.

Grants for Benevolence from the ordinary fund were \$21,956.30, in 1908; \$24,362.00, in 1909; \$24,124.00, in 1910, and \$26,275.00 in 1911.

The grants for Benevolence from interest received from the moneys paid in towards the Semi-Centennial Fund were \$1,210.00 in 1908, \$2,010.00, in 1909; \$2,552.34, in 1910; and \$3,920.00, in 1911.

The total grants for Benevolence for the year just closed amounted to \$30,195.00 as against \$26,676.34 for 1910.

I desire to call the attention of the members to the fact that, while our surplus from ordinary funds was \$25,586.74, we paid out of that fund \$26,275.00, or putting it another way, reduced our capital by \$688.26; yet some still wonder why we require the full \$100,000 to be paid into the Semi-Centennial Fund!

The lodges have paid into the Semi-Centennial Fund during the year ended 31st May last, \$22,476.82, the capital sum at that date being \$90,327.50. During the month of June there was paid in an additional sum of \$1,851.30, so that at the end of that month the capital sum was \$92,178.80. This, however, includes overpayments by many lodges of \$3,785.30, some having paid twice as much as the quota, and some three times that amount, so that the actual sum due and payable by 105 lodges was \$11,606.50; 280 lodges having paid in full. This small balance will surely be paid in during the coming year. Last year at this time 37 lodges had contributed nothing to the Fund, this year EVERY lodge has paid in something, however small.

The membership on 31st May, 1910, was 46,000; on 31st May, 1911 it stood at 48,500, an increase for the year of 2,500. We have 413 lodges on the register.

Up to 31st May, 1909,, only 60 lodges had paid their quota in full; on 31st May, 1910, 148 had paid in full and 239 had still to pay. Now we have 280 paid in full and only 105 to pay part. It will be noticed by the Grand Secretary's tables that while many of the lodges were not liable, as they were not in existence in 1904, nevertheless they have paid their quota, and several of them have paid in excess thereof—an object lesson to those old lodges which are still lagging behind.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

I have made 43 official visits during the year besides attending at the office of the Grand Secretary when necessary. These called for over 13,000 miles of travel.

I instituted and consecrated University Lodge No. 496, Toronto, and Electric Lodge No. 495, Hamilton; attended the Grand Lodges of Quebec and Michigan; officiated at five dedications; installed the officers of three lodges; attended 12 lodges of Instruction, and have been in every district in the jurisdiction, except No. 217, during my term of two years.

I also officiated at the laying of eight corner stones: Churches at Walkerton, Coldwater and Thorold; new Masonic Temples at Toronto, Cobalt, Carleton Place and Caledon East; and the Y.M.C.A. building at Belleville.

Further particulars of these will appear in the report of the Grand Secretary.

The balance of my visits were to lodges in the jurisdiction.

I received a most cordial welcome from the London brethren who united for the purpose; in fact, wherever I went the reception was most enthusiastic.

I had an exceedingly pleasant visit to the Grand Lodge of Quebec, was received most kindly, and conveyed the best wishes of our 48,000 members to the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of that jurisdiction.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

On the recommendation of the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges of Nebraska and Alabama, I appointed W. Bro. Orin A. N. Brace to represent this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Nebraska,

and W. Brother William W. Brandon, to represent this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Alabama, vacancies having taken place in each case.

We have no representatives from, or in, the following countries: Brazil, Greece, Mexico, New Granada, Puerto Rico, Portugal, St. Domingo, Switzerland, and Uruguay, and, as we never hear from them in any way, it seems to me we should not keep them, from year to year, on our list.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Right W. Brother S. E. Cornell, of Sarnia, was appointed by me to the Board last July, and in January tendered his resignation, as he was leaving the jurisdiction. I appointed Right W. Brother A. K. Wanless, of Sarnia, to fill the unexpired term.

INVASION OF JURISDICTION.

In my address to Grand Lodge last year, I mentioned that a lodge of Masons from Port Huron, Mich., had invaded our jurisdiction and that I had instructed the Grand Secretary to lay the matter before the M. W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, through the Grand Secretary of that body, but that there had not been time for a reply when our Grand Lodge met. I felt I had only to call his attention to the fact and that the matter would be at once arranged.

The letter written by R. W. Bro. Gunn to the Grand Secretary of Michigan, reads as follows:

Hamilton, Ont., July 5, 1910.

Lou B. Winsor, Esq.,

Grand Secretary,

Reed City, Mich. :

Dear Sir and R. W. Bro.—I beg to inform you, at the direction of the M. W. the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, that he has learned that the officers and members of Pine Grove Lodge No. 11, Port Huron, Mich., attended the funeral of a deceased brother of that lodge in Sarnia, some time ago, and performed the funeral service of the Grand Lodge of Michigan over his remains. The Grand Master is confident that this was done without the knowledge or consent of the Grand Master of Michigan, and he desires to call the attention of your Grand Master to the fact, in order that such in-

vasion of our territory may be explained, if possible, and that no such occurrence may take place in the future. If one of the brethren of a lodge in Michigan, residing in Canada, should die, and it is desired to have the Masonic funeral service for him, it would be quite competent for the brethren of the lodge to which he belonged to request one of our lodges to perform the ceremony, and the Grand Master is quite sure that any such request would be most willingly complied with. I shall be glad to hear from you on the subject at your convenience.

Yours fraternally,

R. L. GUNN,

Grand Secretary.

On the 16th July, the M. W. the Grand Master of Michigan, replied, which I append, and with it a letter written by the W. Master of Pine Grove Lodge, which I also add, with the reply of the M. W. the Grand Master of Michigan thereto:

Adrian, Mich., July 16, 1910.

Hon. R. L. Gunn,

Grand Secretary of Masons,

Hamilton, Ont.,

Dear Sir and Brother,—I received your communication of the 5th inst., through the office of Grand Secretary, Lou B. Winsor, duly, and forwarded the same at once to our Pine Grove Lodge No. 11, F. & A .M. of Port Huron.

I have from them this date a communication relative to the matter in hand, which I am enclosing to you.

It would seem from this communication that every reasonable point was covered in their preliminary actions; and I would suggest that if we are not privileged to carry out the dying request of a brother, even if to do it, it seems that we are invading a foreign jurisdiction, then all our profession of "charity, brotherly love, relief, etc." is empty and meaningless.

No, I cannot find it in my heart, nor in the "Book of the Law," to censure a Lodge in my jurisdiction that has followed out so nearly what I deem to be the "Spirit of Masonry."

Their letter of explanation seems to me to cover every point and I hope will be equally satisfactory to you.

I am, fraternally yours,
G. ROSCOE SWIFT,
Grand Master.

Port Huron, Mich., July 13th, 1910.

G. Roscoe Swift,

Grand Master, Grand Lodge F. & A. M., of Michigan,
Adrian, Michigan.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Dear Brother,
—Beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication under date of 8th inst., relative to letter received by you from the Grand Secretary of Ontario in regard to Pine Grove Lodge performing Masonic funeral service at Sarnia. I can assure you, Most Worshipful Sir, that we were very much surprised to learn of the M. W. the Grand Master of that Grand Lodge, who, by the way, resided in Sarnia, objecting to us performing the duty we did, as I feel certain you will concur with us in the opinion, that we did the honorable thing under the existing circumstances in this particular case. The facts are as follows:

“One Brother Robert J. Wise, an old and very respected member of our lodge, residing in the Town of Sarnia, and who we were partially providing for, had been ill with paralysis for some time, and upon his getting worse was removed from his humble home to the Sarnia Hospital, and died in that institution on Friday evening, June 17th, at 8 o'clock. Our Secretary, Brother Charles E. Kean, went over to Sarnia to call upon the sick brother, and arrived at the house to learn that death had occurred about an hour previous. The family's means were very limited, and their place of abode humble indeed, and as the family consisted of daughters, one of whom was a nurse in the city of Detroit, another teaching in a country school, and another supporting herself and assisting the home by sewing, all of whom had been with their father for some little time and was anxious, now that he had passed away, to return to their vocations as quickly as possible, and they the family, requested the funeral to be held on Sunday afternoon, June 19th, (the second day after the death occurred), informing us that it was the dying request of

their father that Masonic services be held over his remains. Arrangements were accordingly made, and the matter talked over with the Master and members of the Sarnia Fraternity, who were willing to assist us in every possible manner to further the wishes of a Brother, (far different apparently from the later opinion of their M. W. Grand Master), which was greatly appreciated and showed clearly the true Masonic spirit. It was not until Saturday morning at eleven o'clock that we were certain of being able to have a Sunday funeral, as there was a question whether the English church minister could preach the service at the house. Every minute we were kept busy to carry out the family's wishes, and as soon as the Sarnia brethren 'phoned our Secretary that everything was O. K., we had to hustle and notify our membership, and have the Sarnia brethren likewise notified in order to have a good "turn-out."

Our officers knowing that in order to make a request on a lodge in a foreign jurisdiction, it should be passed through our Grand Master's office, or via Grand Secretary, to that of the Grand Master of that foreign jurisdiction, and through him to the Master of the local lodge—all this would have consumed considerable more time than was available in this case, as you will readily see. In consulting our Past Masters and the "Book of the Law" we could not see anything else to do, than what we did (and never thought of an objection being raised over such a trivial piece of Masonic etiquette, especially by the exalted M. W. the Grand Master of Ontario), providing the Brother received a Masonic burial service, which, as stated, was his dying request, and we felt our duty to perform, if possible. I might state in this particular instance, the town of Sarnia is just across the St. Clair River from Port Huron and our Lodge was convened on Sunday, June 19th, at one thirty o'clock for the purpose of conducting the funeral of our late Brother Wise in the town of Sarnia. The lodge proceeded to that town by ferry boat, where a number of Canadian brethren were waiting our arrival to join with us and assist with the ceremony of depositing the body of our departed Brother in its final resting place. No house services were held by us, we simply marched to the house, viewed the remains and conducted the funeral party to the cemetery, and performed our service, according to ritual, after which we returned to our lodge

room and closed lodge in due form—the proper record being made in our books.

We would not think of going out of this jurisdiction to confer a degree, but could not find a point in the law touching upon a funeral. We do remember that in 1906, we had permission from the Grand Master, our esteemed Brother John Rowson, to cross the river and exemplify our third degree on a “dummy candidate,” and the then M. W. Grand Master of Ontario gave his consent, and of course in talking this funeral matter over we could not see where an objection would ever be thought of. Knowing the love you have for our honorable fraternity, and the conception of its true principles which underlie it, we do not believe if you had been placed in our position that you would have done different. However, if we have made a serious mistake and offended the M. W. the Grand Master of Ontario, we can assure you that it was a case of necessity and with no idea of being “impolite” or discourteous to that Grand Body.

Trusting that this explanation is satisfactory, and we shall be glad to give any other possible information regarding this affair. With kind regards and best wishes for a successful year, and trusting that you will be able to visit us during your term as Grand Master and we can assure you that you will find us a law-abiding body. Kindly advise us as to the outcome of this case.

Fraternally yours,

CALVIN L. WADE,

Worshipful Master.

Adrian, Mich., July 16, 1910.

Mr. Calvin L. Wade,

Worshipful Master, Pine Grove Lodge, No. 11, F.
& A. M., Port Huron, Mich. :

Worshipful Sir and Dear Brother,—I have your letter of explanation of the 13th inst., covering the matter in question with the Grand Jurisdiction of Canada, and as it seems to me so full and satisfactory, I am sending the same to the Grand Secretary, F. & A. M. of Canada, with the enclosed communication.

I believe with you, that in a case of this kind, a funeral, that there was no time for the communicating through the channels of the Grand Offices, and did what

you thought was best, for the best interests of the craft, and to comply with the request of the deceased brother.

Hoping the explanation will be satisfactory to our Canadian brethren and with kindest regards to yourself and a hope that I may have the pleasure of meeting with you and the brethren of your lodge during the year's administration, I am,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
G. ROSCOE SWIFT,

Grand Master.

I need hardly say I was very much amazed at the stand taken, and determined to allow a few weeks to elapse before writing the M. W. Brother in the matter.

On the eighth of September I wrote the Grand Secretary again to bring the matter to the attention of the M. W. Brother in the following terms, which he did on the 12th September, by letter to the Grand Secretary of Michigan.

As no reply was received up to the 21st October, he wrote once more for an answer on the last mentioned date, and on the 24th October, received a reply from the Grand Secretary that the Grand Master had been away visiting lodges, and on 26th October, the answer came. All these letters I append:

Sarnia, 8th, September, 1910.

R. L. Gunn, Esq.,
Grand Secretary,
Hamilton:

Dear Bro. Gunn,—I duly received your letter of 25th July last, enclosing letters from the Worshipful Master of Pine Grove Lodge, No. 11, F. & A. M., G. R., Mich., and from the M. W. Bro. G. Roscoe Swift, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Michigan dated respectively the 13th and 16th days of July last.

The reply of the M. W. Brother, with all due deference, seems to beg the question. This is not a matter of sentiment, it is a very much more serious one, that of the invasion by a foreign lodge, without leave or license, which invasion the M. W. Brother in his letter admits.

It is not a matter for this jurisdiction to cavil over whether the M. W. Brother can "find it in my heart

* * * to censure the lodge" in his jurisdiction which so needlessly and carelessly committed such an infraction

of Masonic law and usage; it is with the Grand Lodge we have to deal.

As to finding such an offence in the "Book of the Law," of which I have no knowledge, it is as old as Masonry itself, that no lodge belonging to a Sovereign Grand Lodge can invade the jurisdiction of a sister Grand Lodge.

The kindest feelings have existed between this Grand Lodge and that of Michigan for 55 years, and I hope we shall always be permitted to entertain such, as, while few, if any, are yet alive who attended our first Grand Lodge on 2nd November, 1855, when the then Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Michigan installed our then Grand Master M. W. Brother W. Mercer Wilson, we all know the history of that time, and appreciate now, as our predecessors did then, the kindly act of M. W. Brother H. T. Backus.

But even these recollections cannot permit us to overlook the unmasonic action of Pine Grove Lodge last June, and the refusal of the Grand Master to take action thereon.

That the M. W. Brother may become aware how serious the matter appears to us to be, I attach the clause referring to the matter which appeared in my address to Grand Lodge in July and which was approved by that body.

The M. W. Brother says further that from the letter received by him from Pine Grove lodge, "every reasonable point was covered in their preliminary actions" and that "their letter of explanation seems to me to cover every point."

Surely he did not carefully read the letter and weigh his words in his reply?

I reside in the town of Sarnia, Ont., and was there during the three days mentioned, the 17th, 18th, and 19th June last. I have a telephone in my house and in my Chambers and could have been got at any hour of the day or night. I was within from five to ten minutes walk of the Ferry landing between Port Huron and Sarnia, and the letter from the W. M. of Pine Grove lodge shows that he KNEW I was a resident of Sarnia. I was not approached by any one in the matter and knew nothing of it till several days afterwards.

If they wished to honor the memory of the deceased brother and had communicated with me by letter, telephone, telegraph or personally, I would have been pleased and considered it my duty, to ask one of the three lodges here to hold an emergent meeting and thereby give the Port Huron brethren an opportunity to join with them, and thus in a legal Masonic manner "pay the last tribute of respect" to the brother.

I regret that the M. W. Brother sent the letter of 16th July, to the W. Master of Pine Grove Lodge, as he did not, with all respect, give due attention to the matter in controversy, and also that the W. Master of that lodge should use such expressions about the Grand Master of this jurisdiction, and apparently without any remonstrance from the M. W. Brother.

Again, I repeat, this is not a matter of sentiment, but a far weightier matter, and one which requires a full and complete explanation and retraction, and such as shall satisfy this jurisdiction, and an expression that in future no lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Michigan shall invade our territory. I also submit that the letter of the W. Master of Pine Grove Lodge shall be withdrawn, as well as that of the M. W. Brother to that lodge. You will forward a copy of this letter to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Michigan for the perusal of the M. W. the Grand Master of that jurisdiction, and trust such explanations, retractions and withdrawals will be made at an early date so that the peace and harmony which have so long existed between our Grand Bodies may continue for all time.

Yours fraternally,
D. F. MACWATT,
Grand Master.

Hamilton, Sept. 12, 1910.

Lou B. Winsor, Esq.,
Grand Secretary,
Reed City, Mich. :

Dear Sir & R. W. Bro.,—I am directed by the M. W. the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge to enclose to you for the perusal of the M. W. the Grand Master of Michigan, a copy of M. W. Bro. Macwatt's letter to me of the 8th of September, 1910, relating to the action of

Pine Grove Lodge No. 11, F. & A. M., G. R. of Michigan, in conducting a funeral within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge.

With kind regards,

Yours fraternally,
(Signed) R. L. GUNN,
Grand Secretary.

Hamilton, October 21, 1910.

Lou B. Winsor, Esq.,
Grand Secretary,
Reed City, Mich.:

Dear Sir & R. W. Bro.,—I am directed by the M. W. the Grand Master to say that he has so far received no reply from your M. W. Grand Master to his letter of the 12th of September re invasion of jurisdiction by Pine Grove Lodge, No. 11, Port Huron, and will be glad to receive an answer at an early date.

Yours fraternally,
(Signed) R. L. GUNN,
Grand Secretary.

Reed City, Mich., October 24, 1910.

R. L. Gunn, Grand Secretary,
Hamilton, Ontario:

R. W. Brother,—I am in receipt of yours of the 21st inst., stating that the M. W. Grand Master of Canada has not received any reply from the M. W. Grand Master of Michigan to his letter of the 12th of September, re invasion of jurisdiction by Pine Grove Lodge, No. 11, of Port Huron. I have forwarded your letter to the M. W. Grand Master of Michigan and presume that he will give the matter attention.

I would state that he has been away from home for some time visiting lodges in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Fraternally yours,
LOU B. WINSOR,
Grand Secretary.

Reed City, Mich., October 26, 1910.

R. L. Gunn, Grand Secretary,
Hamilton, Ontario:

Dear Brother Grand Secretary,—In regard to the correspondence between the M. W. Grand Master of

Canada and the M. W. Grand Master of Michigan, relative to invasion of jurisdiction of Pine Grove Lodge, No. 11, of Port Huron, I would state that I have taken the same up with the M. W. Grand Master of Michigan, and he informs me that he replied to the communication of the M. W. Grand Master of Canada, giving him as courteous an explanation of the matter as he knew how, and that he does not know how he can add anything to his said reply.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

LOU B. WINSOR,

Grand Secretary.

It then became apparent that the matter was looked upon in a very light and indifferent manner, from the view taken by us, and I consulted a majority of the P.G.Ms. and the D.G.M., and while some wished an edict to issue at once, it was determined that another effort should be made and the following letter of 26th November was sent and an acknowledgement received from the Grand Secretary of Michigan on the 28th November.

I waited for a reply until the 7th January last, when I again had a letter sent asking for an answer. This was mailed on 10th January, and on the 16th of that month we received the letter of 16th January. All of which I append.

There then seemed nothing further to be done but issue the Edict, which I did on the 27th January, after spending seven months in trying to have matters amicably arranged.

Hamilton, November 26, 1910.

Lou B. Winsor, Esq.,

Grand Secretary,

Reed City, Mich. :

M. W. & Dear Brother,—The M. W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, desires once more to call the attention of the M. W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Michigan to the fact that the invasion of our territory in June last, by the lodge of Port Huron, Michigan, has not been disavowed, and he directs me to re-state the facts of the case as they appear to him.

The law recognized in Canada and the United States is that each Grand Lodge is independent and is entitled to exercise absolute Masonic authority in its own jurisdiction. No Grand Lodge may invade the territory of another, nor exercise Masonic power within it. There is no exception to this rule and there is no qualification of it.

Pine Grove Lodge No. 11, Port Huron, Michigan, did invade the territory under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge in June last. The Worshipful Master, officers and members of the lodge named, acting as a lodge, crossed from Port Huron to Sarnia and there buried a deceased member of their lodge with Masonic ceremonies. The fact is not denied, but it is said in explanation that there was not time to communicate with the Grand Master of Canada in the regular way, through the Grand Secretaries of the two jurisdictions; and, secondly, that the ceremony was not of such magnitude as to require permission.

The one explanation destroys the other. The necessary inference from the first is that, had time sufficed, permission to perform the ceremony would have been sought from the Canadian Grand Master; while the second held that permission was not necessary.

M. W. Bro. Macwatt resides in Sarnia, and he could have been communicated with in an informal way in a very few minutes. No more time would have been needed to see him than was needed to see any one of the Sarnia brethren whose assistance was sought at the time. But permission from the Grand Master was not needed. There are two Masonic lodges in Sarnia. The Worshipful Master of either of them would have been glad to open his lodge and have the burial service performed under its auspices. The Port Huron brethren could have been present as visitors, and doubtless the Master and other officers would have been invited to perform part or all of the ceremony. This is the invariable practice in Canada. One lodge never dreams of invading the jurisdiction of another lodge, but when there is need, asks that the local lodge be opened for the requirements of the burial service.

Nor can the Grand Master assent to the proposition that the burial service is one of minor importance, and that, therefore, the rules which apply to other Masonic ceremonies should not apply to this. The committing

our departed brother to the grave is one of the most solemn and important ceremonies in which a lodge can engage. If it were of trifling importance, doubtless the Port Huron brethren would not have performed it at all. But they considered, and justly so, that the last sad office of respect to a departed brother was one which could not be neglected. Further, it is a ceremony which is performed in public, and if it is necessary that the Grand Master should be in a position to regulate and control ceremonies and transactions within the tyled recesses of the lodge room, it is more important that he be able to regulate and control those performed in public, where non-masons are present, ready to note and sometimes quick to censure. Not only did the Port Huron lodge act as a lodge in this jurisdiction, but it performed a ceremony not authorized by the Grand Lodge of Canada. Our ceremonies have been prescribed by Grand Lodge, and it is the duty of the Grand Master to see that they be not altered, nor unauthorized ceremonies substituted for them. Even if it were a ceremony of trivial importance, the Grand Master cannot agree that it could be permitted. The Grand Master does not feel called upon to weigh the relative importance of our Masonic Ceremonies. He holds that no Masonic ceremony at all may be performed in this jurisdiction, except those sanctioned by the Grand Lodge of Canada, and by those holding warrant from it.

For many years the most harmonious and fraternal relations have subsisted between the Masons of Canada and those of Michigan. It was a Grand Master of Michigan Masons who came to this country in 1855 to constitute the Grand Lodge of Canada. From that time to the present, nothing has occurred to disturb the harmony which has existed among us, nor to cool the ardour of our friendship; and the Grand Master is encouraged to think that when M. W. Brother Swift shall look at this question on all sides, he will be willing to disavow an act which Canadian Masons generally must regard as unfraternal and unfriendly. This is not a question of sentiment. The Grand Master has been made the guardian, for the time being, of the interests of Grand Lodge, and he feels it to be his duty to protest when the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge is invaded.

In conclusion, I am to ask you to convey to M. W. Bro. Swift, the Grand Master's assurance of personal esteem and fraternal regard, and I beg you to believe me,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

R. L. GUNN,
Grand Secretary.

Reed City, Michigan, November 28, 1910.

R. L. Gunn, Grand Secretary,
Hamilton, Ontario:

Dear Brother Grand Secretary,—I am in receipt of yours of Nov. 26th inst., relative to the matter of the invasion of jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada by Pine Grove Lodge, No. 11 of Port Huron, Michigan, and I have forwarded said communication to the M. W. Grand Master of Michigan in the hopes that the matter may be satisfactorily adjusted so that peace and harmony may continue to prevail between the two Grand Jurisdictions that have so long enjoyed such a warm friendship living side by side.

With continued assurances of best wishes, I remain,
Sincerely and fraternally yours,

LOU B. WINSOR,
Grand Secretary.

Reed City, Michigan, January 14, 1911.

R. L. Gunn, Grand Secretary,
Hamilton, Ontario:

Dear Brother Grand Secretary,—Again referring to your communication of the 10th inst., relative to the inquiry of the M. W. Grand Master of Canada, whether there is to be a reply to his letter of November 26th to the M. W. Grand Master of Michigan, I would state that I forwarded your letter to the M. W. Grand Master of Michigan, and am now in receipt of his acknowledgement in which he states, that he wrote the M. W. Grand Master of Canada as courteous and as dignified a letter as was in his power to frame. That he does not think of anything that he could add to the same and consequently sees no occasion for any further correspondence on the point.

I am as ever,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

LOU B. WINSOR,
Grand Secretary.

The Edict then followed:

GRAND LODGE, A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA
in the Province of Ontario

Office of the Grand Master,
Sarnia, Ontario, Canada

To all our Worshipful and Loving Brethren,

Greeting:

Whereas the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, has sole and exclusive jurisdiction over all Craft Masonry in the Province of Ontario, and such absolute, sole and exclusive jurisdiction is essential to its existence as a Sovereign Grand Lodge; and it has absolute power and control over all Craft Masons, acting as such, within this jurisdiction; and

Whereas, the Grand Lodge of Canada has sole and exclusive power to prescribe what Masonic ceremonies are proper and lawful to be used within this jurisdiction, and has prepared and prescribed such ceremonies, which alone are lawful; and

Whereas, on Sunday, June 19th, 1910, the Worshipful Master, Officers and members of Pine Grove Lodge, at Port Huron, Michigan, a Masonic Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, appeared in Masonic clothing at Sarnia, in the Province of Ontario, and, acting as a Lodge, performed a Masonic ceremony; and

Whereas, permission was not sought from, nor given by, any competent Masonic authority warranting the said Pine Grove Lodge to appear and act as a Lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario; and

Whereas, the ceremony then performed was not one authorized by the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario; and

Whereas, when the facts of the case were laid before the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of Masons in the State of Michigan, he declined to disavow the act of Pine Grove Lodge, and has since, in response to repeated appeals to cause the sovereignty of the Grand Lodge of Canada to be respected by Lodges under the jurisdiction of Michigan; persistently declined to make any explanation, or to repudiate the unlawful and un-

friendly invasion of this jurisdiction, and has approved the act complained of;

Now, therefore, I, Daniel Fraser Macwatt, Grand Master of Masons of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, do ordain and decree that fraternal relations between the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, and the Grand Lodge of Michigan, shall from this date cease and determine; that all Masons owing allegiance to this Grand Lodge are forbidden to hold Masonic intercourse of any kind with Masons holding under the Grand Lodge of Michigan; and I do further ordain and decree that Masons under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Michigan shall not be received as visitors in any Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada, nor be granted any Masonic right or privilege within this jurisdiction.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Lodge this twenty-seventh day of January, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, Anno Lucis five thousand nine hundred and eleven.

D. F. MACWATT,
Grand Master.

Attest:

R. L. GUNN,
Grand Secretary.

The Grand Lodge of Michigan held its Annual Communication at Port Huron, Michigan, this year, on the 23rd and 24th days of May, and late in the evening of the 23rd, I received at my home in Sarnia, a telephone message from a P. G. M. of that Grand Lodge asking me if I would that evening meet a deputation of their Grand Lodge, in order to discuss the strained relations between the two Grand Lodges. I replied that I could not give an appointment for that evening, but would be pleased to receive the deputation of the Grand Lodge of Michigan at my Chambers, in the town of Sarnia, at 9 o'clock the next morning, at which date, time and place the deputation from the Grand Lodge of Michigan, consisting of two of its Past Grand Masters interviewed me. After a frank and candid discussion they admitted the invasion of our jurisdiction, and expressed regret therefor, whereupon, at their request, I agreed to withdraw the Edict and visit their Grand Lodge, before its close, early that afternoon, which I accordingly did, and received a hearty

welcome from the members of that body. The withdrawal of the Edict followed and I append a copy.

It is a pleasure to report that the amende honorable has been made and that the pleasant fraternal relations which formerly existed between the two Grand Lodges have again been resumed.

GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA
in the Province of Ontario.

Office of the Grand Master,
Sarnia, Ontario, Canada.

To all our Worshipful and Loving Brethren,

Greeting :

Whereas, on the twenty-seventh day of January, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, Anno Lucis five thousand nine hundred and eleven, an edict was issued by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, sundering the fraternal relations theretofore existing between the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario and the Grand Lodge of Michigan, on the ground that the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario had been invaded by the Worshipful Master, Officers and members of Pine Grove Lodge, Port Huron, a Masonic Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, by the performance of a Masonic Ceremony at the town of Sarnia, in the Province of Ontario :

And, whereas, the duly accredited and authorized representatives of the Grand Lodge of Michigan having waited upon me at my home in Sarnia, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, admitted and acknowledged that, by the act of Pine Grove Lodge, Port Huron, there had been an invasion of the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, and having expressed regret therefor, and desired that amicable relations should be immediately restored.

Now, therefore, I, Daniel Fraser Macwatt, Grand Master of Masons of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, do hereby revoke the said edict of non intercourse and do ordain and decree that the fraternal relations formerly existing between the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, and the

Grand Lodge of Michigan shall from this date be fully restored.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Lodge this 24th day of May, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, Anno Lucis five thousand nine hundred and eleven.

D. F. MACWATT,

Grand Master.

Attest:

R. L. GUNN,

Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE MEETING.

I again call the attention of Grand Lodge to the place of meeting. There seems to be a difficulty in the smaller towns and cities in getting a sufficiently large hall to hold our Communication. This is apart from the question of accommodation for those who attend. It is getting so that only the Armouries in such places can accommodate the large number in attendance, and judging from the difficulty experienced in securing those buildings the last two years we cannot ever be sure of them. If we do secure such the expense to Grand Lodge is heavy for insurance for the two days.

I repeat Grand Lodge should at once take steps to settle this matter definitely. The body as at present constituted is far too large to meet in any place but Toronto, unless the membership is cut down by the elimination of the Past Masters, and no one ever suggested or intended to interfere with vested rights; even then it would take sixty years to cut this vote out entirely.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

The work of those officers has on the whole been good. Twenty-two Lodges of Instruction have been held in 20 Districts, making a record. In two districts Nos. 9 and 10, two of such lodges have been held, and in only two have no lodges been held. I endeavored to have these two in line with the others, and to have them carry out my instructions, but without avail. The amendment offered by the Grand Secretary should carry, so that no District Deputy can say in the future, "It was impossible to hold a Lodge of Instruction, as not one of the lodges would consent." There should be such a lodge held in every District annually. The ben-

efforts are many and the instruction given is most important. Last year one District Deputy complained that it was impossible to hold such a lodge; yet this year with an active District Deputy there were TWO held in that District.

My experience is that any District Deputy can have a Lodge of Instruction in some part of his District if he is so inclined. There need be little expense, if the scheme laid down by me in my address of last year is adopted.

On 22nd September last I issued a circular to each District Deputy Grand Master calling his attention to what I wished him to look after particularly, and I am glad to say my instructions on the whole have been well carried out. Some have been active in calling the lodges attention to the Semi-Centennial Fund and the results show what they have done. Where large balances are still due the District Deputy has not been so active.

I also insisted on quarterly reports being sent to me, and in this way I was able to keep in touch with the work in each district.

Yet it seems to me that the members generally, and the District Deputies in some cases, think that they have the complete right to elect the representative of the Grand Master in their respective Districts. That, of course, is not correct. The Grand Master has to confirm and approve the appointment by the District, and, unless he does, the brother cannot be installed.

Districts should not nominate members to this important position, which entails hard, steady and consistent work, if they propose to perform their duties in a perfunctory manner. Members up in years, or in ill-health, or not qualified by education or business ability, or whose time is not their own, to a great extent, or who have not executive ability, should not be nominated.

Then District Deputies have no right, except in a few cases such as in District No. 17, and a few others, to call on lodges to hold emergent meetings for their visits. It is not fair to the lodge, it is not fair to the officers, it is not fair to themselves, or to the Grand Master to do this. I find from the reports of several of these officers that many lodges do not comply with Section 147 of the Constitution in electing an Examining Board. The new Installation Ceremony for subordinate

lodges is now in the hands of all lodges, or should be, but as it was only issued last November I did not take steps to follow this up. In future, however, there can be no excuse. In fact if the certificate of the Examining Board, which must be handed to the Installing Officer before installation can take place, was ordered to be sent to the Grand Secretary or District Deputy, it would correct the evil. I also instructed the District Deputies that if they found a Master who did not know his work, to report the fact to me and at the same time give me the names of the members of the Examining Board.

In two cases my attention was called to the fact that Worshipful Masters had not attended to their duties, but as it was in December when the information reached me, I took no action. I trust the amendment proposed to remedy this unfortunate state of affairs will carry and will be the means of stopping this evil, for it is an evil.

In January last R. W. Bro. R. G. Hoover, D.D. G. M. of Niagara District No. 10, tendered his resignation on account of ill health. I accepted it and appointed R. W. Brother J. E. Merriman, P.D.D.G.M., who had so ably performed the duties of the office in 1909-1910, to fill the vacancy, which he has done entirely to my satisfaction.

BY-LAWS.

I repeat, a model set of By-laws should be adopted by Grand Lodge. The work of going carefully over the many amendments to By-laws is heavy, when added to the other work of the Grand Master. I have been amazed to find so many old By-laws still in force which are in direct contravention to our Constitution.

I suggest that the Board of General Purposes appoint one of its members to go over all by-laws and amendments thereto, and then submit them to the M. W. the Grand Master for his approval. The Grand Master could then adopt or not adopt the views of the supervisor, and in this way save himself a great deal of time, as well as bring about greater uniformity.

DEDICATIONS.

I am glad to inform Grand Lodge that while 43 lodges were dedicated last year, 76 were dedicated this year, and only 16 await the performance of that ceremony. Those are lodges that are rebuilding or making

changes in their rooms so that the function cannot be performed till fall.

The lodges yet to be dedicated are:

District No. 4—Clinton No. 84, New Dominion No. 205.

District No. 5—Wingham No. 286.

District No. 6—Springfield No. 259.

District No. 8—Harmony No. 57.

District No. 11—Peel No. 468.

District No. 12—Spry No. 468, Verulam No. 268, Victoria No. 398.

District No. 14—Prince Arthur No. 228.

District No. 15—Harmony No. 370.

District No. 16—St. John's No. 63.

District No. 19—Muskoka No. 360.

District No. 20—Ontario No. 26, Hope No. 114, and Clementi No. 313.

District No. 21—Chesterville, No. 320.

Doubtless the incoming Grand Master will see that the above are dedicated as soon as possible.

The District Deputy Grand Masters who performed the large part of these functions are to be congratulated on their work.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

I submitted several matters to the Chairman of this committee, M. W. Brother A. T. Freed, who will report at this Communication. I approved his report on a communication received from The International Bureau for Masonic Affairs at Neuchatel, Switzerland, and recommend its adoption. It is as follows:

To The M. W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, A. F. & A. M.:

Most Worshipful Sir,—The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, to whom was referred a communication from the International Bureau for Masonic Affairs, having its headquarters at Neuchatel, Switzerland, begs leave to report:

1. The body in question professes to be an International Bureau for Masonic Affairs, and announces that it is entrusted with the task of "facilitating relations among Masonic powers without in any way affecting their independence or their sovereignty." It is "composed of the Grand Lodges, Grand Orients or Supreme Councils concerned and adhering to the International

Bureau." Its objects are to disseminate information among Grand Bodies, to form a library, to publish a quarterly bulletin and to print Masonic works. Its expenses are to be met by a "compulsory annual subscription" levied upon the adhering bodies, and by donations and legacies. No information is given as to the Grand Bodies composing or adhering to the Bureau.

2. The need for such a bureau is not apparent to your committee. All Grand Lodges have Secretaries; and all, or nearly all, publish reports of their proceedings. Hitherto little, if any, difficulty has been experienced by this Grand Lodge in corresponding with sister bodies, and it does not appear how existing means of inter-communication can be improved by the International Bureau.

3. If the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, should become a constituent member of the International Bureau, it would be held to some extent responsible for the principles advocated in the Bulletin of that body.

A large part of the work of the bureau appears to consist in the advocacy of "harmony" among Masonic bodies, and by "harmony" is meant recognition of, and the establishing of fraternal relations with those Grand Bodies, which have abandoned some of the most important landmarks of Masonry by removing the Volume of the Sacred Law from their altars, and all recognition of the Great Architect of the Universe from their rituals. Many years ago the Grand Lodge of Canada terminated fraternal intercourse with the Grand Orient of France for this reason. The Grand Orient has not to the present time changed its practice, and the Grand Lodge of Canada has not shown any disposition to recall its edict of non-intercourse. It would surely be an inconsistency in this Grand Lodge to give moral and financial assistance to an organization, one of whose chief endeavors is to proclaim that this Grand Lodge is wrong.

In the last issue of the Bulletin of the International Bureau, which has come under the notice of your committee, is an article approving the action of some German Masons who have removed the Volume of the Sacred Laws from their altars and substituted what is called "The White Book." This is a book having the one word "God" on the outside of its cover and all the leaves of the book entirely blank.

Your committee is unable to recommend that this Grand Lodge become a subscribing member of, or give money aid to, the International Bureau of Masonic Affairs.

A. T. FREED,
Committee.

December 15, 1910.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR.

I received a letter during the year with reference to The Order of the Eastern Star, but after the rulings of M. W. Brothers Burritt and Freed, and after what I said myself last year, all of which were approved by Grand Lodge, it did not seem to me that I should entertain further correspondence in the matter.

CANVASSING FOR OFFICE.

At last Grand Lodge Communication I suspended a brother who had a card printed with his name thereon as well as the office to which he desired to be elected. One would have thought that would be sufficient to stop this improper usage, but in the month of December last I received a letter from the officer of a lodge asking me to use my influence to have a brother from his city elected at this communication to a high office. As he was a subordinate officer, after carefully considering the matter, I determined not to suspend him, but pointed out to him how ignorant he was of Masonic law and usage and cautioned him to avoid such unmasonic conduct in future, and I trust he and others will pay attention to this. I have heard it said that those occupying high offices, or candidates for such offices, erring in this respect, are not interfered with. If any brother will give me direct proof I shall act, no matter what position the brother occupies or seeks.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES.

This question should be settled by Grand Lodge. In my view no life membership should be allowed, if the fees are not invested by the lodge, and kept sacred for this purpose. If this be not the case, and the lodge does not get on well, trouble is bound to follow.

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING.

My attention was called to an item in a city press which reported that eighteen Masons made last year had

acted as officers at a lodge meeting and performed the work. This item of news (?) appeared in several papers. I called the attention of the W. Master of the particular lodge to the same, who informed me the report was not given out by him or his officers.

I have no objection to young Masons performing work which is not exclusively limited to particular officers, if all sufficient safeguards are adopted; but on no account should the proceedings in the lodge room become public property.

ARDEN LODGE U. D.

The report of the Committee on Warrants, which was adopted last July by Grand Lodge, instructed me to get some competent brother to enquire into all the circumstances surrounding Arden Lodge, U.D. I endeavored to do so, but failed in my first two attempts. I then determined to have the books sent to the Grand Secretary to examine and report, which was done, and as he was of opinion that the matter had better be submitted again to Grand Lodge, I agreed. I instructed the District Deputy Grand Master to make a special report on the occasion of his official visit which he did and as it is of a very satisfactory nature I have no doubt the Committee on Warrants will recommend that a warrant issue at this communication.

BENEVOLENCE.

Some lodges neglect to hand their applications for relief in so that they can be dealt with according to our Rules. In one lodge three applications which should have been sent in by 1st July, came to hand on 19th Sept.; 6th October and 8th October last, respectively.

In this same lodge a poor widow had been neglected by the members of the lodge, or their officers, for two or three years, and applications were only received after constant writing. The Secretary is a Past Master, and an educated man, and there is absolutely no excuse.

The committee empowered to grant interim relief, is limited in the amount they can sanction, and then our beneficiaries suffer. Worshipful Masters and Secretaries who cause such hardships should be disciplined. I can see no other remedy.

BALLOT BOXES.

Judging by the correspondence I have received, and from conversations which I have had with members,

there is disapproval of the new ballot boxes. The matter will doubtless be brought up at this communication and then Grand Lodge can intelligently deal with it. There was great delay in getting them out, and 80 lodges have still to be provided.

Some lodges claim that the boxes they are using conform to the requirements of the Constitution. As the latter is silent on this point how can that be? Section 192 (h) says that the Grand Secretary shall cause boxes to be made according to a pattern approved by the President of the Board of General Purposes and shall furnish two to each lodge. This is imperative. I have been spoken to about this, and shown boxes, but they did not conform to the pattern, and I replied that every lodge must be supplied by Grand Secretary.

Our mode of balloting is not yet perfect. My attention was called to the following. In a city lodge there were 38 members present. When the ballot was taken two black balls were deposited against the candidate, and he was declared rejected. Afterwards the Junior Deacon when "spreading" the ballot, observed only one white ball in the black box, which could not offset the two white balls in the white box. He reported the circumstances to the W. M., when the following facts were brought to light.

39 ballots were in the white box of which two were black balls.

38 ballots were in the black box of which only one was white.

An appeal was made to me, but I answered that the provisions of the Constitution rendered me powerless to act, as the candidate had been declared rejected. As only 38 members were present, some one must have deposited two black balls. It will, therefore, be necessary for the Worshipful Master and his Wardens to count the members in attendance, and, after the ballot, and before the declaration of the result, to count the ballots deposited.

REJECTED IN ERROR.

In another case the by-laws were amended by the lodge in 1903, but never submitted to the Grand Master till late in January, 1910. They were approved on 1st February, 1910. The letter containing the amendment was mislaid but confirmed by the Grand Secretary in June of this year. The amendment was to the effect

that it required two black balls to reject instead of one as formally, and it came into full force from the 1st February last. On 12th May last an applicant was balloted for, when one black ball was deposited, and the Worshipful Master, in ignorance of the change, or without thought, declared him rejected. The matter having been submitted to me I held that if the facts were as stated, the Master should at once make an acknowledgment of his mistake and declare the candidate elected.

GRAND LODGE RETURNS.

Our returns from subordinate lodges are not satisfactory. They should be sent in every half year; some do this, but some only yearly. We cannot get any accurate account of our membership for this reason. This is not as it should be. The law is clear, see Section 160. If a lodge fails to make its returns for more than a year it should be summoned to show cause why it should not be suspended and its warrant arrested. Further, no representative of a lodge which has neglected to make its returns and payments can vote at any communication

LODGE ROOMS.

I suggest that the incoming Grand Master should instruct the District Deputy Grand Masters to report on lodge rooms generally, especially on the ante rooms and the means of egress in case of fire. To my mind, if some of the lodge rooms caught fire, through the ante rooms, a very terrible loss of life would ensue. Lodges should be compelled, in their own interest, to see to this very necessary precaution.

LODGE RECORDS.

I fear many lodges are not careful in preserving their lodge records such as minute books, etc. The Barton Lodge, Hamilton, has appointed an archivist, who has done good work.

It might be well for all lodges to appoint such an officer, even if he did no more than hunt up old records and place them in safe keeping for all time.

THE CARD SYSTEM.

On account of the difficulty in finding out the Masonic record of one of our members, and while in New York in April last, I visited the office of the Grand Secretary of that jurisdiction, and found that for the last

five years they have adopted the Card System, and in a very few seconds, the record of any member can be turned up. This system cannot be adopted too soon with us. I would suggest that the Grand Secretary be authorized to go to New York and thoroughly examine the system in use there, and then put it into operation here from the 1st of June of this year.

This will necessitate another skilled clerk who should devote his whole time in putting the system into force from the beginning, in the year 1855. It can be done now at less expense than in the future. In fact the longer the delay the more expensive it will be.

The Grand Secretary has for the last three years been gradually adjusting the membership of the various lodges, so that they may agree with the Grand Lodge register. About half or two-thirds have been adjusted, and it is hoped before long to have all in shape. One lodge has been paying for several members who have passed away, one of whom died about 15 years ago.

But nothing should delay the Card System; it is absolutely necessary if the work of Grand Lodge is to be carried on properly.

In fact it is a question for the Board of General Purposes to look into and report to Grand Lodge, whether the office of Grand Secretary is properly manned. The Grand Secretary is most efficient and hard working, but he and Miss Place cannot do all the work, which is heavy. I consider the two assistants should be expert stenographers, or at least one a stenographer and both typists, and in that way the work could be handled better and made easier. Whether another assistant is necessary should be enquired into, apart from the one I suggest to put the card system into operation. It is not a question of expense, but of efficiency. No organization I know of is more economically managed than our Grand Lodge; but economy can be carried too far.

CEREMONIES.

The Installation ceremonies for subordinate lodges were revised during the year and have been issued to those entitled thereto. The Funeral Ceremony requires revision, as also that for the Installation of Grand Lodge Officers. I trust these will be attended to during the year.

We are getting very careless about our ceremonies, especially that of the lodge. All these belong to Grand

Lodge alone, and can be called in by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master at any time. Some seem to think it is transferable and can be given to any brother. This is wrong. It is not transferable in any way. It is a matter which I cannot explain fully here, but I feel very strongly that steps should be taken at once to safeguard this important matter, and particularly to provide for contingencies, such as a brother's death.

GRAND LODGE EXPENDITURE.

So much has been said in endeavors, here and there, to avoid paying the \$3 to the Semi-Centennial Fund, about the expenditure of Grand Lodge, that I had a set of tables drawn up by the Grand Secretary, as to this, and also as to the payments to lodges and local boards of relief, the contention being that the local boards which are only to be found in cities or towns where there is more than one lodge, get the larger proportion of the annual grant. This is not correct as appears by the following tables:

	1908	1909	1910
Total number of grants . . .	385	369	430
Number through lodges . .	199	200	213
Number through local boards	186	169	217
Total amount of grants ..	\$24,400	23,810	27,370
Amount granted through lodges	13,190	14,000	15,770
Amount granted through local boards	11,210	9,810	11,600
Proportion granted through lodges	54%	58.8 %	57.6 %
Proportion granted through local boards	46%	41.2 %	42.4 %
Average grants through lodges	\$66.30	70.00	74.00
Average grants through local boards	\$60.30	58.00	53.50

Then in October last the Right Worshipful the Deputy Grand Master constructed the following tables showing how the greater part of the income of Grand Lodge is used:

Period	Income	Paid for Benevolence	Per centage
1855-1865..	\$ 37,500	\$ 1,687	4½
1865-1875..	109,361	35,192	32
1875-1885..	155,670	86,771	56
1885-1895..	184,427	94,432	51
1895-1900..	243,000	114,163	47
	\$729,958	\$ 332,245	

But for the last five years we have expended a much greater percentage as the figures show:

Period	Income	Paid for Benevolence	Per centage
1906	\$34,377	\$22,000	64
1907	37,359	25,165	66
1908	38,954	28,291	73
1909	37,446	27,500	73
1910	43,309	33,767	78
	\$191,443	\$136,723	

or over 70% for the 5 years.

The subordinate lodges gave for Benevolence in the last 5 years:

1906	\$17,000
1907	14,800
1908	15,000
1909	17,000
1910	17,000

A total of \$80,000

DISPENSATIONS.

A list of dispensations issued will appear in the report of the Grand Secretary, as well as of the institutions, consecrations, dedications and of by-laws, and amendments thereof, approved.

THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

This fund is now within measurable distance of the end. We had on 30th June, \$92,178.80, and to-day the 19th of July, at the opening of Grand Lodge we had \$93,228.46, so that we have still due \$10,556.84, to get from 97 lodges, after allowing for over payments.

I addressed you at length last year on this subject, and I can add little to what I then said. The excuses are pitiable, and get worse the longer payment is deferred. Many object to pay as lodges, because they have built or refitted their rooms, and are paying on those, thereby adding to their own comfort and convenience, and allowing the poor and needy to go without!

The Districts and lodges that still owe as of 1st July are as follows:

District No. 1	.....	\$1,350 40
District No. 2	.....	1,387 25
District No. 3	.....	1,430 50
District No. 4	.....	709 86
District No. 5	.....	694 00
District No. 6	.....	588 50
District No. 7	.....	278 50
District No. 8	.....	298 74
District No. 9	.....	923 00
District No. 10	.....	463 75
District No. 11	.....	81 00
District No. 11a	.....	222 00
District No. 12	.....	41 95
District No. 13	.....	550 00
District No. 14	.....	85 00
District No. 15	.....	884 00
District No. 16	.....	Nil
District No. 17	.....	177 95
District No. 18	.....	Nil
District No. 19	.....	46 00
District No. 20	.....	Nil
District No. 21	.....	1,395 00
		\$11,606 50

Notice how it is the large, wealthy and old Districts that owe the largest sums, Nos. 1, 2 and 3 are in that class, and owe \$4,168.15 of the amount or nearly 37 per cent. of the whole.

The Lodges that owe are:

District No. 1—

41	.....	\$179 50
274	.....	106 50
290	.....	181 15
327	.....	33 00
336	.....	130 00

386	.....	92 75
411	.....	87 00
413	.....	291 50
422	.....	117 00
448	.....	132 00

District No. 2— \$1,350 40

83	.....	\$104 00
116	.....	27 00
153	.....	173 00
158	.....	134 50
194	.....	216 00
238	.....	154 00
323	.....	109 75
364	.....	64 00
392	.....	90 50
419	.....	190 00
425	.....	125 00

District No. 3— \$1,387 75

64	.....	\$263 00
107	.....	100 00
120	.....	59 50
171	.....	50
190	.....	18 00
232	.....	85 00
289	.....	80 00
302	.....	198 00
330	.....	121 00
358	.....	100 50
379	.....	75 00
380	.....	216 00
394	.....	114 00

District No. 4— \$1,430 50

33	.....	\$ 58 36
73	.....	132 00
84	.....	171 00
154	.....	131 00
170	.....	26 50
205	.....	13 00
233	.....	53 00
309	.....	125 00

\$709 86

District No. 5—

162	....	\$ 94 00
225	....	61 00
235	....	50 00
341	....	84 00
396	....	163 00
429	....	124 00
431	....	48 00
436	....	70 00

\$694 00

District No. 6—

78	....	\$ 84 00
106	....	156 00
149	....	54 00
178	....	56 00
181	....	75 00
217	....	130 50
250	....	33 00

\$588 50

District No. 7—

262	....	174 00
271	....	104 50

\$278 50

District No. 8—

135	....	\$132 00
272	....	60 00
291	....	60 00
400	....	46 74

\$298 74

District No. 9—

79	....	\$172 00
90	....	167 00
230	....	252 00
285	....	159 00
377	....	83 00
444	....	66 00
467	....	24 00

\$923 00

District No. 10— m

32		147 00
115		204 75
185		54 00
319		58 00

\$463 75

District No. 11—

356		\$ 81 00
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District No. 11a—

99		104 00
269		118 00

\$222 00

District No. 12—

398		\$ 41 95
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District No. 13—

17		\$147 00
18		195 00
69		58 00
161		123 00
215		27 00

\$550 00

District No. 14—

157		\$ 85 00
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District No. 15—

14		\$263 00
28		24 00
55		93 00
85		80 00
368		248 00
370		176 00

\$884 00

District No. 16—

Paid in full on 30th May, 1911—second to so pay.

District No. 17—

415	.....	\$122 05
417	.....	55 00

\$177 05

District No. 18—

Paid in full 4th July, 1908—first to so pay.

District No. 19—

352	.....	\$ 4 00
443	.....	42 00
		\$46 00

District No. 20—

Paid in full 7th June, 1911—third to so pay.

District No. 21—

21a	.....	77 00
125	.....	74 00
142	.....	166 00
207	.....	165 00
256	.....	135 00
320	.....	167 00
383	.....	150 00
418	.....	180 00
439	.....	112 00
450	.....	119 00
452	.....	50 00
		\$1,395 00

Nipissing led the way by paying in full three years ago. This year two others have followed that example. When will the other 19 do their duty?

“HEALING.”

Two applications were made to me for “healing” and the Grand Secretary having made the necessary enquiries and finding all correct I granted the requests.

MORAVIAN LODGE NO. 431, EDENGROVE.

This lodge made application to be allowed to move the warrant from Edengrove to Cargill on the ground that the membership was now largely located in the latter place. On looking into the matter I found that I had not power or authority to grant the request, even if I found the facts as stated. Up to 1905, under our Constitution, the District Deputy could allow a transfer, but since then seemingly only Grand Lodge can do so. The matter will likely come up before you, and be settled as far as this application is concerned; but I can see that there might be circumstances which would necessitate granting such a request between communications of

Grand Lodge, and I suggest that the necessary notice be given by the Grand Secretary so that the Constitution may be amended next year and the M. W. the Grand Master given power, to grant such a request if he deem it necessary and advisable.

THE LATE M. W. BROTHER HUGH MURRAY.

Acacia Lodge No. 61, Hamilton, his mother Lodge, erected a tablet in March last in the lodge room to the memory of the late M. W. Brother Hugh Murray, P. G. M., and who at the time of his death was our Grand Secretary, which tablet at their request I unveiled. It is exceedingly chaste and appropriate and reflects credit on those whose desire it is to perpetuate the name and memory of our late distinguished brother. I had with me on the occasion M. W. Brother A. T. Freed, P. G. M., and the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Brother Aubrey White, and other prominent members of the Craft.

COMMISSIONS AND TRIALS.

In Appeal No 2 of last year, re Brother Alexander McDonald, Bruce Lodge, No. 341, Tiverton, the Committee made a recommendation. From letters received by me during the year, if the brother appears, I recommend that his case be gone into fully, as if his story be true he is entitled to relief. I have instructed the Grand Secretary to notify him and the lodge to appear or be represented before the committee.

In Appeal No. 5 of last year re Brother Jardine Russell, Granite Lodge, No. 446, Fort Frances, I was asked to appoint a commission to try this brother. I appointed R. W. Brother Chapple, of Kenora, to go to Fort Frances as commissioner and hear the evidence and report. He did so and on his findings I suspended the brother till this communication of Grand Lodge, then to be removed or continued at the pleasure of Grand Lodge.

Brother Colin Russell, a brother of the accused refused to give the commissioner the address of the accused. I suggest that this be made an offence and punishable. No Mason should refuse to answer all questions in such cases no matter who the accused may be.

Appeal No. 9 St. John's Lodge, No. 81, Mount Brydges. In accordance with instructions from last Grand Lodge I appointed R. W. Brother Montgomery the District Deputy Grand Master of the District, to take

the evidence in both cases against Brothers Burch and Cairnes.

In the case of Brother Cairnes he admitted he had communicated to one not a Mason what had taken place in the lodge room, and I accordingly continued his suspension till this communication.

Brother Burch again failed to appear before the commissioner, this being the second time, so I had him summoned a third time to appear, but again he did not obey the summons. His suspension therefore continues till this communication. For such flagrant and wilful conduct I suggest that he be suspended indefinitely.

The Lodge, strange to say, at first refused to lay charges against one of these brothers, although ordered to do so by Grand Lodge. I gave instructions to inform them that if they did not I would be compelled to arrest the warrant; but fortunately better counsels prevailed and they carried out my instructions.

One W. who had been secretary of a lodge up to the time of his suspension for U.M.C. in October, 1909, which suspension was removed by Grand Lodge at last Communication, in December, 1910, was elected secretary of his lodge, the brother who was elected in October, 1909, in his place being about to leave the jurisdiction. Having been informed of W's election, and knowing that he had been a most inefficient secretary and had got the lodge into a wretched financial condition, I decided, after careful consideration, to summon the W. Master and the D. D. G. M., and informed them that I would not allow W. to be invested as secretary, in the interests of the lodge. I instructed them to inform W. of my decision and the reasons, but he determined to appear and demand investment. I then had the lodge books of the Treasurer and Secretary produced before me and examined them, and, finding ample reason for my action, I wrote the installing officer that he was not to invest the brother as secretary, and to read my letter giving my decision and the cause of it to the lodge. It was then in good condition and I did not want it to go back. This was done, the lodge adopted my views, a new election was ordered, an efficient brother elected and the lodge is now in a flourishing condition.

RE H.

This case was referred to by me last year, see page 49 of the proceedings. From all I can gather the evidence should be sufficient to put him on his trial, but it has been put off from month to month on one excuse or another by the lodge, although I appointed M. W. Brother Malone, P. G. M., as commissioner, months ago:

I suggest that the M. W. the Grand Master compel the lodge to act at the earliest possible moment.

ST. GEORGE LODGE NO. 367 AND W.

Charges having been laid against a brother of this lodge, which were in such shape that the officers would have to give evidence, I appointed R. W. Brothers Harcourt, E. B. Brown, and E. B. J. Duncan a commission to hear the evidence and report. This was done and as I agreed with the findings that the accused threatened to blackball, I suspended the brother till this communication of Grand Lodge. Improper and undue interference with the ballot must be stopped.

A brother T. was summoned twice to appear before the commission and refused. I then had him summoned peremptorily, when he appeared. I recommend that he be summoned to appear at his lodge in the fall and receive a censure from the District Deputy Grand Master for his conduct, and failing to appear that he be suspended until he complies with the summons.

KING SOLOMON LODGE NO. 22 AND S.

In this case the charges were two in number: 1. Using unmasonic language to his brethren; 2, threatening to blackball. I appointed R. W. Brother Harcourt as commissioner, and he reported. The first charge was admitted and an apology made; the second was proven so I suspended the brother till this communication.

One W. R. T. was convicted by the courts of a criminal offence and sentenced to a term in the Penitentiary. As he was an unaffiliated Mason I appointed M. W. Brother Malone, P. G. M., as commissioner to hear the evidence in the city where he lived and on his findings I suspended the brother till this communication of Grand Lodge and recommend his expulsion.

BLACKWOOD LODGE No. 311, WOODBRIDGE.

This lodge, without proper enquiry, initiated Mr. R. D. Medforth, who at the time and for five years previous thereto was a resident of Syracuse, N.Y., and consequently under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of New York. I ordered the W. M. to be reprimanded and the lodge to take out a dispensation, and further that the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York, should be informed of the circumstances; the fee for the initiation to be tendered to that Grand Lodge, and regret expressed. This was done and the Grand Master of New York overlooked the matter and accepted our explanation.

THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS AND BRANT LODGE NO. 45.

In August last I received a letter from M. W. Brother A. B. Ashley, Grand Master of Illinois, informing me that a petition had been presented to John B. Sherman Lodge No. 880, of Chicago, Ills., on behalf of a party for membership and that on the 25th February, 1908 the application had been rejected. That he had reason to believe that this party had become a member of Brant Lodge. That he was not aware what our law was, but that they claimed perpetual jurisdiction.

I had the necessary enquiries made and found that this person had left Chicago in September, 1908; that his petition had been sent into Brant lodge dated 13th September, 1909; that he was accepted, initiated 8th November, 1909, passed 18th January 1910, and raised 28th March in the same year.

I at once replied to the Most Worshipful Brother that our Constitution does not recognize perpetual jurisdiction, and if an applicant has resided for one year in our jurisdiction he is eligible. That I had found everything regular, but that if he could show that he had received the degrees through fraud or misrepresentation I would have the matter investigated. I have had no further correspondence in the matter.

RULINGS.

1. The corner stone must be laid at the N. E. corner of the building.

2. The Tyler's O.B. is the first requisite at a Board of Trial.

3. I refused to approve a By-law by which, if any officer, except the W. M., was absent for two consecutive meetings, without giving the Master a reasonable excuse, his office was to become ipso facto vacant.

4. The dues of a member may be remitted after proper notice by a majority of those present.

5. I was asked whether a lodge should continue paying Grand Lodge dues for life members from whom they had not heard in years. By section 215, on payment of \$5 to Grand Lodge for each life member, no further dues are payable.

6. I held that York Lodge, No. 156, North Toronto, has, under the resolution of Grand Lodge in 1974, page 308, concurrent jurisdiction with the Toronto lodges.

7. I refused to allow the second and third degrees to be conferred on a dying brother at his house. He could not comply with our ceremonies in any way, and for other reasons, which are apparent, I was obliged to refuse the request.

8. I ruled that where there are several lodges in a town or city, when an applicant has moved to another place, and has not resided there the full 12 months required by the Constitution prior to initiation, that a certificate of character from any ONE lodge is all that is necessary to get a dispensation. (I have ruled twice on this point. The first time I held that EVERY lodge must certify; but on a more careful reading I came to the conclusion that the certificate of one lodge was sufficient).

9. The 3 L. Ls. should be placed two on the N. at each corner of the altar, and one at the S. at middle of Altar.

10. Under Rules of Trial No. 12, one regular meeting must intervene between the time of serving the notice and any action taken by the lodge in connection therewith. It does not refer to the subsequent action of the lodge, after the trial had been held.

11. I was asked as to the right of a lodge to subscribe to stock in a proposed Masonic Temple. Finding nothing in the by-laws to prevent this, I held that, in the absence of any such provision, the lodge had complete control of its General Fund.

12. A native of, and former resident of this province, who has been residing in Peru, returned home for a few months' visit. There is no lodge within 500 miles of where he lives in Peru, although many between there and our jurisdiction. I refused to allow his initiation in this jurisdiction.

13. All movements in a lodge room should be by the course of the sun.

14. Minutes should not be eliminated if correct. They can be reconsidered, but must stand until they are; and even then they should not be altered, but reference made to the meeting where the reconsideration appears.

15. The report of a majority of the members of an Investigating Committee is sufficient.

16. Section 59 of the Rules as to Trials does not refer to a member suspended by the Grand Master, and reinstated by Grand Lodge. They are immediately reinstated by the action of Grand Lodge.

17. Rule 6 as to Trials reads that a charge must be made "by the accuser who must be an AFFILIATED Master Mason in good standing." I held that as Section 200 reads every candidate becomes a "member" from the time of his initiation or affiliation and as "affiliated" has always been understood to refer to a brother who had dimitted, and then come back, or had joined another lodge, that as section 197 gives "any member" the right to lay charges against one seeking advancement, and Rule 41 that "any member of the lodge may appeal" that the word "affiliated" is a typographical error and may be disregarded.

If Grand Lodge agrees with me the Constitution should be amended at the next annual Communication.

RE HUMBER LODGE NO. 305, WESTON.

A brother had received his first and second degrees in this lodge, and then having moved to the State of New York wished to receive the third degree in a lodge in that jurisdiction, which had agreed to confer it. No request was made to me by the W. M. of Humber lodge to have this done, or to request the Grand Master of New York to allow Courtland Lodge, Peekskill, N. Y. to have the degree conferred. Not only was the degree conferred, but within the time limited by our constitution for conferring the degree, although the constitution of New York allows this.

I ordered the W. M. to be reprimanded, and the fee for a dispensation paid, also that the Grand Secretary explain to the Grand Master of New York that I had only heard of the action of the W. M. and to express regret therefore.

GREAT WESTERN LODGE, NO. 47, WINDSOR.

In July last, at a regular meeting of this lodge, an applicant was ballotted for, and while this was taking place, a brother announced to the acting Master that he had noticed a black ball resting on the ledge of the ballot box, and, on his attempting to remove the same, it had fallen in. The acting Master directed the Deacon to proceed. When all had voted, and after the box had been examined by the Wardens, the acting Master asked the J. W. how he found the ballot, and the officer replied "favorable." It is said that the acting Master understood him to say "unfavorable," and he ordered a second ballot which was unfavorable and the applicant was rejected. I held that although the W. M. had no authority, nevertheless as the lodge had expressed an unfavorable opinion, I could not interfere.

But, as it was the stupidity of the acting Master which caused the rejection, I instructed that he be severely reprimanded. I also instructed the Wardens to be admonished as when the acting Master did not ask the S. W. how the ballot stood, or examine the box himself, he should have called his attention to this. The examination of the ballot by the three officers is for this very purpose and to prevent mistakes.

CLOSING OBSERVATIONS.

I have now referred to all matters that came before me during the year and which by the Constitution I have to report to you. I doubtless have made mistakes during my two years as your Grand Master, but I can assure you they were of the head and not of the heart.

I have again to refer to the wise counsel and advice I have received from many of my predecessors, whenever I required the same.

The Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary have at all times furnished me with full and complete information.

The Grand Treasurer, as usual looks after our investments well. If the members will peruse his supplementary report they will see that every dollar we have for investment is practically drawing interest.

The year has been more strenuous on the whole than even last year, yet as I look back I feel amply repaid by the many kindnesses I met with and the hearty and enthusiastic receptions given to me.

I have had to discipline, and regretted it; but as I object to members getting into careless ways and overlooking our Constitution, and deliberately violating our laws, it had to be done, and was done for the good of all.

The labors of the District Deputy Grand Masters I have already spoken of, and I appreciate, and so should Grand Lodge, the hard and persistent work so many of them have given to the lodges in their Districts during the year. I think I am correct in saying that every lodge in the jurisdiction, 413, has been visited, and I question if this ever happened before. Certainly we never had so many lodges of instruction in any one year.

I thank you for unanimously electing me Grand Master for a second term last July. I trust I have performed the duties of the high office to your satisfaction. I can only say I gave you my best. I did not spare myself in any way to perform the duties efficiently and effectively.

I pray God that He may guide your deliberations at this Communication so that the Craft in general may be benefited, and may He watch over and lead us during our remaining years.

D. F. MACWATT,

Grand Master.

St. Catherines, Ont., 19th July, 1911.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and

Resolved, that the address of the M. W. the Grand Master be referred to a special committee to report thereon.

The M.W. the Grand Master named as such committee, M. W. Bros. E. T. Malone, J. E. Harding and A. T. Freed.

The Grand Secretary presented the Grand Treasurer's and Grand Secretary's Reports as follows:

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers, and Members
of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Canada, in the Pro-
vince of Ontario:

I herewith submit a statement of the Receipts and Disburse-
ments and Investment Account of the Grand Lodge for the year
ending 31st May, 1911.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Balance in the Canadian Bank of Commerce	
on 31st May, 1910, was	\$ 4,726 43
Less, outstanding cheques	470 24
	4,256 19

REVENUE.

Receipts from Grand Secretary:	
Revenue from Lodges	37,359 68
Interest on Bank Balance	282 33
Interest on Investments	4,741 80
Debentures matured and paid	21,595 39
	63,979 20
	\$68,235 39

DISBURSEMENTS.

General charges	16,797 07
Benevolent Orders	26,275 00

INVESTMENTS.

City of Brandon	\$10,399 00
City of Peterboro	5,121 37
City of St. Thomas	5,536 99
	21,057 36
Cash in Bank, 31st May, 1911 ..	4,531 18
Less outstanding cheques	425 22
	4,105 96
	\$68,235 39

Audited and found correct,

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

June 20th, 1911.

DETAILS OF DISBURSEMENTS.

1910	
June 3—Grand Secretary, account incidental expenses \$	300 00
D. W. Houston, expenses dedication Har-	
riston	3 45
25—Grand Secretary's salary to 30th June, 1910	500 00
Grand Treasurer's salary to 30th June, 1910	50 00
Auditor's salary to 30th June, 1910	75 00
Superannuation allowance to former Chief	
Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th	
June, 1910	66 67
Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office,	
salary to 30th June, 1910	66 67

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	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th June, 1910	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 30th June, 1910..	60 00
	Hurley Printing Company account to 1st June, 1910	24 25
	A. C. Turnbull, account to 1st June, 1910 ..	16 00
	Bell Telephone Company, account to 1st December, 1910	28 50
	Robert Duncan Company, account 1st May, 1910	34 20
	Cook, Pearce & Company, account to 1st of June, 1910	28 25
	Eastern Canadian Passenger Association to April 15th, 1910	6 00
	Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to June, 1910	115 00
July	4—Chairman Committee on Benevolence, postage Expenses, Grand Lodge meeting, July, 1910	15 00 1,400 00
	7—Insurance premium, 4 days, on Grand Lodge place of meeting	73 33
	J. H. Argue, expenses dedication Lodges Nos. 328, 238, 116, 307, 294, and 397	39 25
	11—A. C. Turnbull, account to 1st July, 1910..	16 50
	Copp, Clark & Co., account to 3rd June, 1910	342 30
	Hurley Printing Company, account to 30th June, 1910	96 50
	21—J. B. Nixon, account, Benevolent Investiga- tion	250 00
	25—J. E. Merriman, expenses 15 dedications in Niagara District	75 00
	Grand Secretary, balance salary to 30th June, 1910	83 33
	30—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st July, 1910	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's office, salary to 31st July, 1910	66 67
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st July, 1910	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 31st July, 1910	60 00
	Grand Master, account expenses	350 00
Aug.	8—Atlas Assurance Company, insurance pre- mium, on Grand Lodge furniture and books	26 00
	Alliance Assurance Company, insurance pre- mium, on Grand Lodge furniture and books	26 00
	M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, Chairman Com- man Committee on Foreign Correspondence	150 00
	R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, stenographer's salary	25 00
	16—Insurance premium on Grand Lodge regalia, furniture, books, etc.	26 00
	29—Grand Secretary's expenses, laying corner stone at Walkerton	11 60
	29—G. A. Langstaff, expenses instituting Osiris Lodge, Smith's Falls	5 00

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James B. Begg, expenses instituting King George Lodge U. D. Cobocnck	5 00
Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st August, 1910	66 66
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st August, 1910	66 66
Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st August, 1910	50 00
Stenographer's salary to 31st August, 1910 ..	60 00
J. B. Nixon, account Benevolent Investigation	250 00
Deputy Grand Master, postage	15 00
R. W. Bro. George S. May, postage	5 00
Robert Duncan Company, account to August 1st, 1910	27 85
Hamilton Leather Goods Company, account to 13th July, 1910	8 00
"The Intelligencer" to July 21st, 1910	85 40
J. S. Gordon, account to 15th August, 1910	15 00
Cook, Pearce Company, account to 1st August, 1910	15 00
Sept. 7—Hurley Printing Company account, on account Proceedings	200 00
10—Hurley Printing Company, account for printing to 31st August, 1910	34 15
21—Grand Secretary's salary to 30th September, 1910	750 00
Grand Secretary, account incidentals	300 00
Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, to 30th September, 1910	66 67
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th September, 1910	66 67
Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th September, 1910	50 00
Stenographer's salary to 30th September, 1910	60 00
J. B. Nixon, on account benevolent investigation	200 00
Hurley Printing Company account, Proceedings	200 00
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to 30th September, 1910	115 00
Thomas Pedlar, expenses dedication at Coldwater	9 80
R. Duncan Company account, to September 1st, 1910	21 50
Copp, Clark Company, account to September 8th, 1910	179 90
Grand Treasurer's salary to 30th September, 1910	50 00
Sept. 21—Auditor's salary to 30th September, 1910....	75 00
Oct. 4—T. W. Chapple, expenses as commissioner re Lodge 426 vs. R. J. Russell	36 25
14—Hurley Printing Company, on account printing	28 30

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	Hurley Printing Company, in full account for Proceedings for 1910	372 50
	Cook, Pearce, printing account to 10th October, 1910	19 00
	Cummer Ice & Coal Company to 1st October, 1910	27 34
15—	J. B. Nixon, on account benevolent inspection	200 00
21—	Premium on Grand Secretary's Bond	12 50
	Grand Secretary, attending laying corner stones, Cobalt, Haileybury, Sept. 27, Toronto Sept. 17th, and constitution of University Lodge 12th October	38 40
	Grand Secretary, postage on Proceedings	169 69
25—	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st October, 1910	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st October, 1910	66 67
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st October, 1910	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 31st October, 1910	60 00
Nov. 11—	Toronto General Trusts Corporation, rent of vault safe to 20th September, 1910	25 00
21—	Cook, Pearce & Company in full of account to Nov. 1st, 1910	8 00
	Hurley Printing Company, account to 9th November, 1910	57 10
	Hamilton Paper Box Company, account to 31st October, 1910	19 00
	J. G. Gordon engrossing warrant for St. Mary's Lodge, No. 493	2 50
	Robert Duncan Company, account to November 1st, 1910	23 80
26—	Superannuation allowance of former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's office to 30th November, 1910	66 66
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th November, 1910	66 66
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th November, 1910	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 30th November, 1910	60 00
Dec. 2—	Grand Master, account travelling expenses ..	50 00
21—	Grand Secretary's salary to 31st December, 1910..	750 00
	Grand Treasurer's salary to 31st December, 1910	50 00
	Auditor's salary to 31st December, 1910	75 00
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st December, 1910	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st December, 1910	66 67
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st December, 1910	50 00

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Stenographer's salary to 31st December, 1910		60 00
1911		
Jan. 10—Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to 1st January, 1911		115 00
Grand Master, account travelling expenses..		300 00
13—J. B. Nixon in full account inspection		100 00
Grand Secretary, expenses attending special communications, Grand Lodge		17 55
Bell Telephone account to 1st June, 1911		28 50
Cummer Ice & Coal Company, account to January 3rd, 1911		27 00
Robert Duncan Company, account to January 3rd, 1911		15 60
Central Press Agency account to 23rd Decem- ber, 1910		22 85
Gibb Paper Box Company, account to Janu- ary 9th, 1911		22 71
26—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st January, 1911		66 67
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st January, 1911		66 67
Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st January, 1911		50 00
Stenographer's salary to January 31st, 1911		60 00
Feb. 15—Hurley Printing Company account to 2nd February, 1911		90 50
Grand Secretary, account incidental ex- penses		300 00
17—Refund to Irving Lodge No. 154, dispensa- tion refused		10 00
23—Robert Duncan Company, account to 1st Feb- ruary, 1911		4 00
Cook, Pearce Printing Company, account to 1st February, 1911		453 20
Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 28th February, 1911		66 67
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 28th February, 1911		66 67
Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 28th February, 1911		50 00
Stenographer's salary to 28th February, 1911		60 00
Mar. 15—The Valley City Seating Company account to 25th January, 1911		210 00
28—The Valley City Seating Company in full account to March 1st, 1911		255 50
Hand Fireworks Company in full account to 22nd February, 1911		16 00
Robert Duncan Company account to 1st March, 1911		25 00
Cummer Ice & Coal Company, account to 1st March, 1911		20 25

	Cook, Pearce Company account to March 1st, 1911	24 00
	Hurley Printing Company account to 1st March, 1911	68 50
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st March, 1911	66 67
28—	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st March, 1911	66 67
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary, to 31st, March, 1911	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 31st March, 1911 ..	60 00
	Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to 1st April, 1911	115 00
	Grand Secretary's salary to 31st March, 1911	750 00
	Grand Treasurer's salary to 31st March, 1911	50 00
	Auditor's salary to 31st March, 1911	75 00
Apr. 1—	Copp, Clark Company account to 1st Feb- ruary, 1911	500 15
19—	M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, expenses dedi- cating Jerusalem Lodge No. 31, Bowman- ville	3 05
	Hurley Printing Company account to 5th April, 1911	30 35
	The Valley City Seating Company account to 27th March, 1911	210 00
	Robert Duncan Company account to 1st April, 1911	17 50
	Cook, Pearce Company, account to 1st April, 1911	24 75
24—	Masonic Relief Association of United States and Canada per capita tax	230 70
26—	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th April, 1911	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th April, 1911	66 67
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th April, 1911	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 30th April, 1911 ..	60 00
May 5—	Grand Master stenographer	100 00
	Grand Secretary, account incidentals	50 00
15—	A. C. Turnbull account to 1st May, 1911..	15 000
	Valley City Seating Company account to 15th April, 1911	105 00
	Hurley Printing Company account to 1st May, 1911	31 30
	R. Duncan Company, account to 1st May, 1911	16 50
13—	A. M. Cunningham account to 30th April, 1911	30 35
	Cummer Ice & Coal Company, account to 1st May, 1911	6 75
	Cook, Pearce Company account to May 1st, 1911	12 00

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Copp, Clark Company, account to May 1st, 1911	518 00
26—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st May, 1911	66 66
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office salary to 31st May, 1911	66 66
Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st May, 1911	50 00
Stenographer's Salary to 31st May, 1911	60 00
J. E. Harding, expenses	4 00
H. T. Smith, account	37 00
31—Grand Secretary, balance incidental account..	22 56
Accrued Interest on debentures purchased ..	78 69
	\$16,797 07
Benevolent Orders	26,275 00
Debenture Investments during the Year	21,057 36
Balance cash in bank, less outstanding cheques	4,105 96
	\$68,235 39

The attached Statement of Assets shows the amount to the credit of the General Fund on the 31st May, 1911, and the sums invested with rates of interest. All the debentures are deposited in the vaults of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, and are under the care of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, who, in addition to the vault clerk of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation hold check keys of the rented box where the debentures are deposited.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited—Certified to as being correct.

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A. ..
Chartered Accountant.

20th June, 1911.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Statement of Assets at May 31st, 1911

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear- ing %	Yield- ing %		
Landed Banking & Loan Company.....	4 $\frac{3}{8}$	4 $\frac{3}{8}$	\$ 10,000 00	\$ 10,000 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation	4 $\frac{5}{8}$	4 $\frac{5}{8}$	11,000 00	11,000 00
Berlin, Town of.....	5	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	6,260 49	6,109 58
Berlin, Town of.....	5	5	5,523 08	5,523 08
Brantford, City of.....	4	3 $\frac{7}{8}$	8,173 60	8,000 00
Brockville, Town of.....	4	3 $\frac{9}{16}$	3,131 45	3,000 00
Brockville, Town of....	4	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,700 54	3,951 04
Brockville, Town of....	4	4 $\frac{3}{8}$	3,963 91	4,170 78
Hamilton, City of.....	4	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	2,777 70	3,000 00
Kincardine, Town of....	5	4 $\frac{7}{8}$	509 80	500 00
New Westminster, City of	5	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	5,208 50	5,000 00
New Westminster, City of	5	4 $\frac{1}{8}$	5,125 50	5,000 00
Port Arthur, City of.....	5	4 $\frac{7}{8}$	1,009 31	1,000 00
St. Thomas, City of.....	4	4 $\frac{1}{8}$	12,026 07	12,148 50
Strathcona, City of.....	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	4,842 00	5,018 28
Toronto, City of.....	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.05	4,484 14	4,866 66
Brandon, City of.....	5	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	10,399 00	10,000 00
Peterboro, Town of.....	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	5,121 37	5,121 37
St. Thomas.....	5	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	5,536 99	5,351 16
			<u>\$108,793 45</u>	<u>\$108,760 45</u>
Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce 31st May, 1911.....			\$4,531 18	
Less cheques outstanding 31st May, 1911....			425 22	
				<u>4,105 96</u>
				<u>\$112,866 41</u>

Fraternally submitted,

E. T. MALONE.

Grand Treasurer.

Correct.

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.

Chartered Accountant.

20th, June, 1911.

1910-1911

PAYMENTS BY THE GRAND TREASURER ON ACCOUNT OF BENEVOLENCE

June, 1910

9 Bro. O.	\$50 00
Bro. P.	25 00
25 Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
Miss M. H. H. ..	18 75
Miss M. W.	75 00

July,

5 Bro. T. H. S.	50 00
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August

9 Mrs. Wm. A. T. ..	30 00
Bro. J. V.	30 00
Bro. H. J. H.	75 00
Miss C. P.	25 00
Miss U. P.	25 00
Mrs. Wm. C. S.	35 00
Mrs. A. S.	30 00
Mrs. G. G.	20 00
Bro. W. G.	75 00
Mrs. J. J.	40 00
Bro. T. K.	50 00
Miss A. McP.	15 00
Mrs. G. P.	40 00
Mrs. R. A. K.	25 00
Bro. R. T. P.	75 00
Mrs. T. H. W.	25 00
Mrs. A. T.	20 00
Bro. Wm. A. D.	50 00
Mrs. C. W. S. S.	50 00
Mrs. R. G.	30 00
Mrs. A. H.	30 00
Bro. J. O.	30 00
Mrs. C. A.	20 00
Mrs. J. C.	50 00
Mrs. J. L. H.	25 00
Mrs. J. K.	50 00
Mrs. R. M. K.	25 00
Mrs. T. F. McD.	25 00
Mrs. J. A. M.	30 00
Mrs. A. A.	30 00
Bro. Wm. C.	40 00
Bro. J. B. S.	50 00
Bro. R. T. S.	30 00
Mrs. G. S.	25 00
Mrs. R. W.	15 00
Bro. Wm. J. H.	30 00
Mrs. E. O. S.	20 00

August, 1910.

9 Mrs. J. B.	30 00
Miss M. D.	25 00
Mrs. J. M.	30 00
Mrs. J. T.	10 00
Mrs. W. J. A.	20 00
Bro. E. H. B.	75 00
Bro. Wm. McC.	30 00
Mrs. J. W.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. P.	30 00
Mrs. T. E.	25 00
Mrs. H. G.	20 00
Mrs. J. H.	10 00
Mrs. H. L. K.	30 00
Mrs. R. O.	20 00
Mrs. A. P.	20 00
Mrs. J. P.	20 00
Bro. B. R. S.	75 00
Mrs. Wm. T.	20 00
Mrs. J. W.	20 00
Mrs. J. A.	30 00
Mrs. T. W. H.	30 00
Mrs. J. K.	25 00
Mrs. T. McC. L.	40 00
Bro. D. W. V.	50 00
Mrs. G. C.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. H. H. ..	20 00
Mrs. E. M.	20 00
Mrs. W. J. S.	30 00
Mrs. A. J.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. P.	20 00
Mrs. J. W.	20 00
Mrs. J. L. Y.	20 00
Mrs. T. B.	15 00
Mrs. J. E. M.	50 00
Mrs. J. E.	30 00
Mrs. P. G.	30 00
Orphans, Bro. J. L. H.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. B.	20 00
Mrs. D. G.	30 00
Mrs. G. A.	75 00
Bro. F. G. F.	20 00
Miss E. M. K.	20 00
Mrs. J. W. M.	20 00
Mrs. W. G. S. R.	20 00

August, 1910.

9 Mrs. J. B.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. F.	30 00
Daughter Wm. L.	15 00
Mrs. W. H. B.	25 00
Mrs. A. H.	15 00
Mrs. H. H.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. M. H.	30 00
Mrs. F. G. B.	20 00
Mrs. T. J. B.	20 00
Mrs. S. M. D.	20 00
Mrs. W. P. K.	20 00
Mrs. A. L.	25 00
Bro. S. L.	25 00
Mrs. J. McK.	25 00
Mrs. W. H. T.	40 00
Mrs. C. W. M.	10 00
Mrs. Wm. M.	25 00
Mrs. A. M.	10 00
Mrs. T. H. S.	15 00
Mrs. W. B.	30 00
Mrs. H. C.	20 00
Mrs. G. H. N.	25 00
Bro. E. H. R.	20 00
Mrs. F. C.	10 00
Mrs. J. G.	30 00
Bro. H. O. H.	75 00
Mrs. R. S.	25 00
Mrs. C. McL.	30 00
Mrs. E. B.	20 00
Mrs. H. H.	25 00
Mrs. D. McK.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. H. S.	20 00
Mrs. G. S.	30 00
Mrs. J. H.	20 00
Bro. J. H.	75 00
Mrs. Wm. J.	30 00
Bro. W. J. K.	75 00
Mrs. Wm. J. T.	20 00
Mrs. F. S. B.	20 00
Bro. A. E. B.	75 00
Mrs. T. G.	50 00
Mrs. R. D. M.	30 00
Mrs. G. f. P.	30 00
Mrs. T. G. F.	15 00
Mrs. E. S. W.	25 00
Mrs. D. H. W.	20 00
Mrs. J. T. G.	30 00
Mrs. E. E. W.	40 00
Mrs. Wm. A. B.	30 00
Mrs. R. H. D.	25 00
Miss E. E.	20 00
Mrs. G. F. F.	40 00
Mrs. R. H.	10 00
Mrs. T. R.	25 00

August, 1910.

9 Mrs. A. W.	25 00
Mrs. S. J. W.	30 00
Mrs. J. R. L. S.	25 00
Mrs. A. B.	50 00
Mrs. G. H. B.	30 00
Mrs. R. L. D.	30 00
Mrs. E. O.	30 00
Mrs. J. R. W.	30 00
Bro. F. H. A.	75 00
Mrs. O. J. A.	30 00
Mrs. F. D.	40 00
Mrs. A. G.	30 00
Mrs. J. H.	20 00
Mrs. H. St. V. J.	20 00
Mrs. H. S. McG.	20 00
Mrs. G. M. McL.	40 00
Mrs. C. W. N.	40 00
Mrs. R. C.	30 00
Mrs. P. P.	25 00
Mrs. F. W. S.	40 00
Bro. T. T.	50 00
Mrs. N. McL.	35 00
Bro. J. T. T.	25 00
Mrs. Wm. E. H.	50 00
Mrs. G. K.	30 00
Mrs. C. F. H. S.	50 00
Mrs. S. B.	20 00
Mrs. J. B.	20 00
Mrs. B. B.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. C.	30 00
Mrs. C. J. L.	25 00
Bro. M. G. R.	75 00
Mrs. F. M. B.	40 00
Mrs. H. H.	35 00
Mrs. J. M.	25 00
Mrs. J. S.	25 00
Mrs. Wm. I. W.	20 00
Mrs. A. C.	20 00
Mrs. S. N. C.	50 00
Mrs. J. A.	20 00
Mrs. A. C.	50 00
Mrs. H. C. V. C.	40 00
Bro. J. F.	50 00
Bro. T. B. M.	75 00
Mrs. J. B.	50 00
Mrs. Wm. F.	50 00
Mrs. R. A. D.	40 00
Mrs. J. S. B.	30 00
Mrs. G. F. H.	30 00
Mrs. S. S. R.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. B. W.	40 00
Bro. J. C.	50 00
Mrs. L. R.	40 00
Mrs. T. H. S.	40 00

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August, 1910.

9 Mrs. Wm. H. W. . .	10 00
Bro. A. C.	75 00
Mrs. H. E.	25 00
Mrs. A. DeP.	30 00
Bro. Wm. B.	50 00
Mrs. E. W.	30 00
Orphans Bro. W. H. W.	30 00
Mrs. W. B. U. . . .	25 00
Mrs. C. J. A.	20 00
Mrs. E. K.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. B. W. . .	25 00
Mrs. J. H. W.	30 00
Mrs. D. L. C.	20 00
Mrs. B. H. F.	30 00
Mrs. A. C.	40 00
Bro. W. A. D.	75 00
Mrs. W. J. C.	40 00
Mrs. J. B.	60 00
Mrs. J. E. H.	40 00
Bro. G. C.	50 00
Bro. F. McM	75 00
Bro. J. M.	75 00
Bro. J. K.	75 00
Mother Bro. W. H. W.	40 00
Mrs. W. J. B.	20 00
Mrs. A. E. H.	40 00
Mrs. J. E.	20 00
Mrs. C. R.	40 00
Mrs. Wm. R. A. . . .	15 00
Mrs. A. C. C.	20 00
Mrs. G. O. F.	50 00
Mrs. C. H. C.	20 00
Mrs. G. G.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. E. K. . . .	20 00
Bro. Wm. J. J. L. . .	20 00
Bro. J. A. S.	15 00
Mrs. S. T.	40 00
Mrs. P. F.	30 00
Children Bro J.G.L. .	30 00
Mrs. C. G.	25 00
Mrs. T. J.	15 00
Mrs. T. B.	30 00
Mrs. J. C.	30 00
Mrs. R. F.	20 00
Mrs. R. W. L.	15 00
Mrs. Wm McG.	40 00
Mrs. Wm. S.	25 00
Mrs. J. H.	30 00
Mrs. T. B.	50 00
Bro. J. E. R.	75 00
Mrs. Wm. A.	20 00
Bro. J. McT.	30 00

August, 1910.

9 Mrs. J. W.	50 00
Mrs. G. R.	40 00
Mrs. J. S.	20 00
Mrs. C. B. B.	20 00
Mrs. C. F.	30 00
Mrs. E. H. R.	20 00
Mrs. D. S.	10 00
Mrs. J. S.	10 00
Mrs. P. F. D.	30 00
Mrs. W. E. S.	15 00
Bro. J. S.	75 00
Mrs. T. G. B.	50 00
Mrs. C. B.	10 00
Mrs. D. G. K.	35 00
Mrs. G. S.	25 00
Mrs. J. F.	50 00
Miss M. I.	20 00
Mrs. J. A. MacL. . .	25 00
Mrs. J. S.	20 00
Mrs. J. A. P.	25 00
Mrs. J. R.	50 00
Mrs. C. W. C.	20 00
Mrs. H. G. G.	40 00
Mrs. J. McC.	30 00
Bro. G. W. A. P. . .	75 00
Bro. M. L. McA. . . .	75 00
Mrs. J. P.	40 00
Bro. J. C.	50 00
Bro. R. A.	50 00
Bro. W. E. J.	50 00
Mrs. J. A.	50 00
Miss H. S.	70 00
Bro. Wm. B.	50 00
Mrs. Wm. C.	25 00
Bro. Wm. W.	75 00
Miss A. V.	20 00
Bro. A. B.	50 00
Mrs. C. A. C.	25 00
Bro. C. R.	30 00
Mrs. R. B.	40 00
Mrs. R. L. S.	50 00
Mrs. W. R. S.	25 00
Mrs. A. S.	50 00
Mrs. J. F.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. Y.	50 00
Mrs. H. D. F.	30 00
Mrs. J. McL.	50 00
Bro. T. P.	30 00
Mrs. A. K.	30 00
Bro. W. H. L.	75 00
Mrs. J. P.	30 00
Mrs. J. Z.	20 00
Mrs. T. P. P.	15 00
Mother of Bro.A.W.C.	30 00

August, 1910.

9 Mrs. R. H. W.	20 00
Children Bro. J. S. ..	30 00
Mrs. D. McN.	30 00
Mrs. D. L.	50 00
Mrs. P. N.	30 00
Mrs. P. H. S.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. C.	15 00
Mrs. E. W.	40 00
Bro. E. W. T.	75 00
Mrs. R. C.	20 00
Bro. H. J. N.	75 00
Mrs. J. A.	50 00
Mrs. G. W. A.	50 00
Bro. E. G.	75 00
Bro. R. V.	75 00
Mrs. R. A.	50 00
Mrs. T. L.	40 00
Mrs. E. D.	40 00
Mrs. C. C.	30 00
Bro. C. L.	15 00
Mrs. J. F. S.	25 00
Bro. C. S.	75 00
Bro. T. R. W.	75 00
Mrs. T. G.	30 00
Mrs. H. R.	35 00
Mrs. J. D. McN. ..	30 00
Mrs. J. M.	10 00
Mrs. F. J.	15 00
Mrs. W. B. S.	30 00
Miss S. J. A.	30 00
Mrs. A. A. M.	40 00
Bro. J. C. M.	25 00
Bro. F. P.	75 00
Bro. J. B.	75 00
Mrs. J. S.	30 00
Mrs. C. C. G.	15 00
Mrs. W. R. E.	40 00
Mrs. J. W. W.	40 00
Bro. H. H.	30 00
Bro. G. A. F. C. ..	40 00
Bro. A. M. C.	75 00
Mrs. J. D. R.	30 00
Mrs. S. A. W.	30 00
Mrs. J. E. E.	15 00
Orphans Bro. C. A.	
E. W. C.	15 00
Mrs. R. A. P.	30 00
Miss P. R.	25 00
Mrs. G. W.	50 00
Bro. O. J. P.	30 00
Bro. J. C.	50 00
Mrs. J. F. T.	30 00
Bro. S. D.	75 00
Bro. S. W. N.	50 00

August, 1910.

9 Mrs. P. C.	50 00
Mrs. A. F.	20 00
Mrs. J. E. C.	40 00
Mrs. J. H. B.	50 00
Mrs. A. C.	30 00
Bro. H. C. F. C. ..	25 00
Bro. Wm. B.	50 00
Bro. G. R. McL. ..	75 00
Bro. T. P.	50 00
Mrs. M. McC.	50 00
Mrs. Wm. B.	50 00
Mrs. D. C.	40 00
Mrs. A. H. C.	50 00
Bro. W. A. K.	25 00
Mrs. R. E.	15 00
Mrs. A. B.	50 00
Bro. F. H.	50 00
Bro. F. R. H.	50 00
Bro. O. J. P.	30 00

September

6 Miss J. P.	50 00
21 Miss M. W.	75 00
Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
Miss M. H. H.	18 75

October

29 Br. G. W.	50 00
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November

14 Mrs. T. McK.	40 00
Bro. J. C.	50 00
Mrs. J. M.	40 00
Bro. J. A. McN.	50 00
18 Bro. J. O.	30 00

December

19 Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
Miss M. V.	75 00
Miss M. H. H.	18 75
20 Bro. T. H.	50 00
Mrs. T. McG.	50 00

January, 1911

23 Mrs. R. R.	50 00
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February

15 Mrs. W. A. T.	30 00
Mrs. J. V.	30 00
Bro. H. J. H.	75 00
Miss C. P.	25 00
Miss U. P.	25 00
Mrs. Wm. C. S. ..	35 00
Mrs. A. S.	30 00
Mrs. G. G.	20 00
Bro. Wm. G.	75 00
Mrs. J. J.	40 00

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February, 1911.

15 Bro. T. K.	50 00
Miss A. McP.	15 00
Mrs. G. P.	40 00
Mrs. R. A. K.	25 00
Bro. R. T. P.	75 00
Mrs. T. H. W.	25 00
Mrs. A. T.	20 00
Bro. W. A. D.	50 00
Mrs. C. W. S.	50 00
Mrs. R. G.	30 00
Mrs. A. S. H.	30 00
Mrs. J. O.	30 00
Mrs. C. A.	20 00
Mrs. J. C.	50 00
Mrs. J. F. H.	25 00
Mrs. J. K.	50 00
Mrs. R. M. K.	25 00
Mrs. T. McD.	25 00
Mrs. J. M.	30 00
Mrs. A. M.	30 00
Bro. Wm. C.	40 00
Bro. J. B. S.	50 00
Bro. R. T. S.	30 00
Mrs. G. S.	25 00
Mrs. R. W.	15 00
Bro. Wm. J. H.	30 00
Mrs. F. O. S.	20 00
Mrs. J. B.	30 00
Miss M. D.	35 00
Mrs. J. M.	30 00
Mrs. J. T.	10 00
Mrs. Wm. J. A.	20 00
Bro. E. H. B.	75 00
Bro. Wm. McC.	30 00
Mrs. J. W.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. P.	30 00
Mrs. T. E.	25 00
Mrs. H. G.	20 00
Mrs. J. H.	10 00
Mrs. H. F. K.	30 00
Mrs. R. O.	20 00
Mrs. A. P.	20 00
Mrs. J. P.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. T.	20 00
Mrs. J. W.	20 00
Mrs. J. A.	30 00
Mrs. T. W. H.	30 00
Mrs. J. K.	25 00
Mrs. T. McC. L.	40 00
Bro. D. W. V.	50 00
Mrs. G. C.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. H. H.	20 00
Mrs. E. M.	20 00
Mrs. W. J. S.	30 00

February, 1911.

15 Mrs. A. J.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. P.	20 00
Mrs. J. W.	20 00
Mrs. J. I. Y.	20 00
Mrs. T. B.	15 00
Mrs. J. E. M.	50 00
Mrs. J. E.	30 00
Mrs. P. G.	30 00
Miss A. & H.M.H.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. B.	20 00
Mrs. D. G.	30 00
Bro. G. H.	75 00
Miss E.M.K.	20 00
Mrs. J. W. M.	20 00
Mrs. W. G. S. R.	20 00
Mrs. J. B.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. F.	30 00
Daugh. Bro. Wm. L.	15 00
Mrs. W. H. B.	25 00
Mrs. A. H.	15 00
Mrs. H. H.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. H. H.	30 00
Mrs. F. G. B.	20 00
Mrs. T. J. B.	20 00
Mrs. S. M. D.	20 00
Mrs. W. P. K.	20 00
Mrs. A. L.	25 00
Mrs. S. L.	25 00
Mrs. J. McK.	25 00
Mrs. W. H. T.	40 00
Mrs. C. W. M.	10 00
Mrs. Wm. M.	25 00
Mrs. A. M.	10 00
Mrs. T. S. S.	15 00
Mrs. W. B.	30 00
Mrs. H. C.	20 00
Mrs. G. H. N.	25 00
Bro. E. H. R.	30 00
Mrs. F. C.	10 00
Mrs. J. G.	30 00
Bro. H. O. H.	75 00
Mrs. R. S.	25 00
Mrs. C. McL.	30 00
Mrs. E. B.	20 00
Mrs. H. H.	25 00
Mrs. D. McK.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. H. S.	20 00
Mrs. G. S.	30 00
Mrs. J. H.	20 00
Bro. J. H.	75 00
Mrs. Wm. J.	30 00
Bro. Wm. J. K.	75 00
Mrs. Wm. J. T.	20 00
Mrs. F. S. B.	20 00

February, 1911.

15 Bro. A. E. B.	75 00
Mrs. T. G.	50 00
Mrs. R. D. M.	30 00
Mrs. G. T. P.	30 00
Mrs. T. G. T.	15 00
Mrs. E. S. W.	25 00
Mrs. D. H. W.	20 00
Mrs. T. J. G.	30 00
Mrs. E. F. W.	40 00
Mrs. Wm. A. B. ..	30 00
Mrs. R. H. D.	25 00
Miss E. F.	20 00
Mrs. G. F. F.	40 00
Mrs. R. H.	10 00
Mrs. T. R.	25 00
Mrs. A. W.	25 00
Mrs. S. J. W.	30 00
Mrs. J. R. L. S.	25 00
Mrs. A. B.	50 00
Mrs. G. H. B.	30 00
Mrs. R. L. D.	30 00
Mrs. J. F. W.	30 00
Mrs. O. J. A.	30 00
Mrs. F. D.	40 00
Mrs. J. H.	20 00
Mrs. H. S. V. J. ..	20 00
Mrs. H. S. McG.	20 00
Mrs. G. McL.	40 00
Mrs. C. W. N.	40 00
Mrs. R. C.	20 00
Mrs. P. P.	25 00
Mrs. F. W. S. ..	40 00
Bro. T. F.	50 00
Mrs. M. McL.	35 00
Mrs. Wm. F. H. ..	50 00
Mrs. G. K.	30 00
Mrs. C. F. H. S. ..	50 00
Mrs. S. B.	20 00
Mrs. J. B.	20 00
Mrs. B. B.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. C.	30 00
Mrs. C. J. L.	25 00
Bro. M. G. R.	75 00
Mrs. F. M. B.	40 00
Mrs. H. H.	35 00
Mrs. J. M.	25 00
Mrs. J. S.	25 00
Mrs. Wm. I. W. ..	20 00
Mrs. A. C.	20 00
Mrs. S. N. C.	50 00
Mrs. J. A.	20 00
Miss A.	50 00
Mrs. H. C. V. C. ..	40 00
Bro. J. F.	50 00

February, 1911.

15 Mrs. J. B.	50 00
Mrs. Wm. F.	50 00
Mrs. R. A. D.	40 00
Mrs. J. S. B.	30 00
Mrs. G. F. H.	30 00
Mrs. S. S. R.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. B. W. ..	40 00
Bro. J. C.	50 00
Mrs. L. R.	40 00
Mrs. T. H. S.	40 00
Mrs. Wm. H. W.	10 00
Bro. A. C.	75 00
Mrs. H. E.	25 00
Mrs. A. DeP.	30 00
Bro. Wm. B.	50 00
Mrs. E. W.	30 00
Orphans, Bro. W. H. W.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. B. U.	25 00
Mrs. C. J. A.	20 00
Mrs. E. K.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. J. W. ..	25 00
Mrs. J. H. W.	30 00
Mrs. D. L. C.	20 00
Mrs. B. H. E.	30 00
Mrs. A. C.	40 00
Bro. W. A. D.	75 00
Mrs. W. J. C.	40 00
Mrs. J. E. H.	40 00
Bro. G. C.	50 00
Bro. F. McM.	75 00
Bro. J. M.	75 00
Mrs. J. K.	75 00
Mrs. D. R. W.	40 00
Mrs. Wm. J. B. ..	20 00
Mrs. A. F. H.	40 00
Mrs. J. F.	20 00
Mrs. C. R.	40 00
Mrs. Wm. R. A. ..	15 00
Mrs. A. C. C.	20 00
Mrs. G. O. F.	30 00
Mrs. C. H. C.	20 00
Mrs. G. G.	20 00
Mrs. Wm. E. K. ..	20 00
Mrs. M. J. L.	20 00
Mrs. S. T.	40 00
Mrs. P. F.	30 00
Orphans, Bro. J. G. L.	30 00
Mrs. C. G.	25 00
Mrs. T. T. J.	15 00
Mrs. T. B.	30 00
Mrs. J. C.	30 00
Mrs. R. F.	20 00

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15 Mrs. R. W. I.	15 00
Mrs. Wm. McG.	40 00
Bro. Wm. S.	25 00
Mrs. J. H.	30 00
Bro. J. E. R.	75 00
Mrs. Wm. A.	20 00
Mrs. J. W.	50 00
Mrs. G. R.	40 00
Mrs. J. S.	20 00
Mrs. C. B. B.	20 00
Mrs. C. F.	30 00
Mrs. E. H. R.	20 00
Mrs. D. S.	10 00
Mrs. J. S.	10 00
Mrs. P. R. D.	30 00
Mrs. W. E. S.	15 00
Bro. J. S.	75 00
Mrs. T. G. B.	50 00
Mrs. C. B.	10 00
Mrs. D. K.	35 00
Mrs. G. S.	25 00
Mrs. J. F.	50 00
Miss M. L.	20 00
Mrs. J. A. MacI.	25 00
Mrs. J. S.	20 00
Mrs. J. A. P.	25 00
Mrs. J. R.	50 00
Mrs. C. W. C.	20 00
Mrs. H. G. G.	40 00
Mrs. J. McC.	30 00
Bro. G. W. A. P.	75 00
Bro. N. L. McA.	75 00
Mrs. J. P.	40 00
Bro. J. C.	50 00
Bro. R. A.	50 00
Mrs. W. E. J.	30 00
Mrs. J. A.	50 00
Miss H. S.	30 00
Bro. Wm. B.	50 00
Mrs. Wm. C.	25 00
Bro. T. W.	75 00
Miss A. V.	20 00
Bro. A. B.	50 00
Mrs. C. A. C.	25 00
Bro. C. R.	30 00
Mrs. R. L. S.	50 00
Mrs. W. R. S.	25 00
Mrs. J. F.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. Y.	50 00
Mrs. H. D. F.	30 00
Mrs. J. McL.	50 00
Bro. T. P.	30 00
Mrs. A. K.	30 00
Bro. W. H. L.	75 00

February, 1911.

15 Mrs. J. P.	30 00
Mrs. J. Z.	20 00
Mrs. S. C.	30 00
Mrs. R. H. W.	20 00
Children Bro. J. S.	30 00
Mrs. D. McN.	30 00
Mrs. D. I.	50 00
Mrs. P. N.	30 00
Mrs. P. H. S.	30 00
Mrs. Wm. C.	15 00
Mrs. E. W.	40 00
Bro. E. W. T.	75 00
Mrs. R. C.	20 00
Bro. H. J. N.	75 00
Mrs. J. A.	50 00
Mrs. G. W. A.	30 00
Bro. R. V.	75 00
Bro. E. G.	75 00
Mrs. R. A.	50 00
Mrs. T. L.	40 00
Mrs. E. D.	40 00
Mrs. C. C.	30 00
Bro. C. L.	15 00
Mrs. J. F. S.	25 00
Bro. C. S.	75 00
Bro. T. R. W.	75 00
Mrs. T. G.	30 00
Mrs. H. R.	35 00
Mrs. J. D. McN.	30 00
Mrs. J. M.	10 00
Mrs. F. B.	15 00
Mrs. W. B. S.	30 00
Miss S. J. A.	30 00
Mrs. A. A. M.	40 00
Bro. J. C. M.	25 00
Bro. F. P.	75 00
Bro. J. B.	75 00
Mrs. J. S.	30 00
Mrs. C. C. G.	15 00
Mrs. W. H. E.	40 00
Mrs. J. W. W.	40 00
Bro. H. H.	30 00
Bro. G. A. F. C.	40 00
Mrs. J. D. R.	30 00
Mrs. S. H. W.	30 00
Mrs. J. F. E.	15 00
Orphans, Bro. C. A.	
E. W. C.	15 00
Mrs. R. A. P.	30 00
Miss P. R.	25 00
Mrs. G. W.	50 00
Bro. J. C.	50 00
Mrs. J. F. T.	30 00
Bro. S. D.	75 00

February, 1911.

15 Bro. S. W. N.	50 00
Mrs. P. C.	50 00
Mrs. A. F.	20 00
Mrs. J. C.	40 00
Mrs. J. H. B.	50 00
Mrs. A. C.	30 00
Bro. H. C. E. C. ..	25 00
Bro. Wm. B. . . .	50 00
Mrs. G. R. McL.	75 00
Mrs. T. P.	50 00
Mrs. Wm. B.	50 00
Mrs. D. C.	40 00
Mrs. A. H. C.	50 00
Bro. W. A. K.	25 00
Mrs. R. E.	15 00
Bro. A. B.	50 00
16 Mrs. C.	50 00
22 Mrs. H. H.	50 00

February, 1911.

27 Mrs. J. M.	50 00
28 Bro. A. V.	50 00
March	
3 Bro. C. S. L.	50 00
9 Mrs. J. I.	50 00
23 Bro. T. A.	50 00
Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
Miss M. H.	18 75
Miss M. W.	75 00
29 Bro. L. A.	40 00
April	
3 Bro. J. A. C.	50 00
11 Bro. S. A.	50 00
25 Mrs. J. G. S.	50 00
26 Bro. A. G. E.	50 00
May	
13 Bro. J. O.	30 00
29 Mrs. J. L. R.	40 00

\$26,275 00

THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

I herewith submit a statement of Receipts and Expenditures of the Semi-Centennial Fund for the year, ending 31st May, 1911:

RECEIPTS.

To balance at the credit of account in Canadian Bank of Commerce on 31st May, 1910	\$ 3,349 54
Outstanding cheque No. 197, cancelled	75 00
	\$ 3,424 54
To amount received from Grand Secretary during year ending 31st May, 1911	22,476 82
To interest on investments	3,108 23
To interest on bank deposits	101 45
To dividend on Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, value \$100, standing in name and held by the Grand Secretary	5 00
Debenture instalment matured	46 46
	\$29,162 50

DISBURSEMENTS.

By purchases—

City of Brandon Debentures	\$ 4,170 00
City of Peterboro Debentures	5,760 22
Town of Oakville Debentures	4,971 42
City of Windsor Debentures	3,867 97
City of St. Thomas Debentures	3,032 70
	\$21,802 31

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Accrued interest on debentures purchased	62 14	
Benevolent grants per annexed lists	3,920 00	
		25,784 45
Balance in Bank	\$4,268 05	
Less outstanding cheques	890 00	
		3,378 05
		\$29,162 50

June 20th, 1911.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Examined and certified to as being correct.

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.
Chartered Accountant.

June 20th, 1911.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Statement of Assets at May 31st, 1911

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear- ing %.	Yield- ing %.		
DEBENTURES				
Berlin, Town of.....	5	4½	\$ 1,432 28	\$ 1,372 18
Brandon, City of.....	5	4½	4,170 00	4,000 00
Calgary, City of	4½	4½	3,980 00	4,000 00
East Toronto, Town of	5	5½	1,600 08	1,635 12
Galt, Town of.....	4	5	1,695 60	2,000 00
Ingersoll, Town of.	4	5	891 60	1,000 00
Kincardine, Town of.....	5	4¾	1,019 60	1,000 00
North Vancouver, Dist. of	4½	4¾	2,880 60	3,000 00
Oakville, Town of.....	5	4¾	4,971 42	4,787 92
Oshawa, Town of.....	4½	4½	5,272 13	5,272 13
Ottawa, City of	5	4	10,529 00	10,000 00
Ottawa, City of.....	4	4½	1,951 80	2,000 00
Owen Sound, Town of...	4½	5	940 10	1,000 00
Owen Sound, Town of...	5	4¼	2,200 80	2,000 00
Peterborough, City of ...	3	4	1,693 20	2,000 00
Peterborough, City of ...	4	5	907 90	1,000 00
Peterborough, City of ...	4¾	4½	1,905 50	1,850 00
Peterborough, City of . .	4½	4½	3,854 72	3,854 72
St. Catharines, City of...	4	4¼	5,141 74	5,319 96
St. Thomas, City of.....	5	4¾	3,032 70	3,000 00
Saltfleet, Township of ...	5	4¾	4,119 22	4,000 00
Sault Ste. Marie, Town of	5	4¾	1,862 64	1,800 00
Seaforth, Town of.....	5	4¾	4,105 56	4,000 00
Toronto, City of.....	3½	4	4,830 50	5,000 00
Windsor, City of	4	4½	3,867 97	4,083 89
Woodstock, City of.....	4½	4.05	4,240 00	4,000 00
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association Stock.		5	100 00	100 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation Guarantee Agreement.....	4⅝	4⅝	5,000 00	5,000 00
			\$88,196 66	\$88,075 92
Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce 31st May, 1911. \$4,268 05				
Less outstanding cheques.....			890 00	3,378 05
				\$ 91,453 97

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

HARRY VIGEON, F.C.A.,
Chartered Accountant.

June 20th, 1911.

1910 - 1911

Payments by the Grand Treasurer on Account of
Benevolence, Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund

August, 1910

6 Bro. F. H. \$50 00

December

1 Bro. H. J. H. 25 00
 Bro. Wm. G. 30 00
 Bro. R. T. P. 25 00
 Mrs. J. K. 25 00
 Mrs. C. W. S. S. .. 25 00
 Mrs. J. C. 25 00
 Mrs. E. H. B. 50 00
 Mrs. T. McL. 20 00
 Bro. D. V. 25 00
 Mrs. W. J. S. 20 00
 Mrs. J. E. M. 40 00
 Bro. H. O. H. 25 00
 Mrs. G. S. 20 00
 Bro. Wm. J. K. .. 50 00
 Bro. A. E. B. 40 00
 Mrs. T. G. 40 00
 Mrs. A. B. 25 00
 Mrs. W. E. H. 30 00
 Mrs. C. F. H. S. .. 20 00
 Bro. M. G. R. 25 00
 Mrs. W. H. B. 25 00
 Mrs. S. H. C. 25 00
 Miss A. C. 25 00
 Mrs. H. C. V. C. .. 20 00
 Bro. J. F. 25 00
 Bro. T. B. M. 50 00
 Mrs. Wm. F. 25 00
 Mrs. L. R. 20 00
 Bro. A. W. D. 75 00
 Mrs. J. E. H. 20 00
 Bro. F. McM. 75 00
 Bro. J. K. 50 00
 Mrs. G. O. F. 15 00
 Bro. J. E. R. 75 00
 Mrs. J. W. 25 00
 Mrs. J. F. 40 00
 Mrs. J. R. 25 00
 Mrs. J. McC. 20 00
 Mrs. J. P. 20 00
 Bro. J. C. 25 00
 Mrs. J. A. 25 00
 Bro. T. W. 25 00
 Bro. A. B. 25 00
 Mrs. S. S. 25 00

December, 1910.

1 Mrs. H. D. F. 15 00
 Mrs. J. McL. 25 00
 Bro. J. H. L. 50 00
 Bro. E. W. T. 25 00
 Bro. H. J. N. 50 00
 Bro. E. G. 50 00
 Bro. R. V. 50 00
 Bro. T. R. W. 65 00
 Bro. F. P. 50 00
 Bro J. B. 65 00
 Bro G. R. McL. .. 50 00
 Bro. T. P. 50 00
 Mrs. Wm. B. 50 00

January, 1911

21 Mrs. J. A. 60 00

March

9 Bro. T. H. 50 00

May

13 Bro. H. J. H. 25 00
 Bro. Wm. G. 30 00
 Bro. R. T. P. 25 00
 Mrs. C. W. S. S. .. 25 00
 Mrs. J. C. 25 00
 Bro. E. H. B. 50 00
 Mrs. T. McC. L. 20 00
 Mrs. D. W. V. 25 00
 Mrs. W. J. S. 20 00
 Mrs. J. E. M. 40 00
 Bro. H. O. H. 25 00
 Mrs. G. S. 20 00
 Bro. Wm. J. K. .. 50 00
 Bro. A. E. B. 40 00
 Mrs. T. G. 40 00
 Mrs. W. E. H. 30 00
 Mrs. C. F. H. S. .. 20 00
 Mrs. M. G. R. 25 00
 Mrs. W. H. B. 25 00
 Mrs. S. N. C. 25 00
 Miss A. C. 25 00
 Mrs. H. C. V. C. .. 20 00
 Bro. J. F. 25 00
 Mrs. Wm. F. 25 00
 Mrs. L. R. 20 00
 Bro. A. W. D. 75 00
 Mrs. J. E. H. 20 00

May, 1911.

13 Bro. F. McM.	75 00
Bro. J. K.	50 00
Mrs. G. O. F.	15 00
Bro. J. E. R.	75 00
Mrs. J. W.	25 00
Mrs. J. F.	40 00
Mrs. J. R.	25 00
Mrs. J. McC.	20 00
Mrs. J. P.	20 00
Bro. J. C.	25 00
Mrs. J. A.	25 00
Bro. T. W.	25 00
Bro. A. B.	25 00

May, 1911.

13 Mrs. H. D. F.	15 00
Mrs. J. McL.	25 00
Bro. W. H. L.	50 00
Bro. E. W. T.	25 00
Bro. H. J. N.	50 00
Bro. E. G.	50 00
Bro. R. V.	50 00
Bro. F. P.	50 00
Bro. J. B.	65 00
Bro. G. R. McL.	50 00
Bro. T. P.	50 00
Mrs. Wm. B.	50 00
Bro. Wm. B.	30 00

 \$3,920 00

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

M. W. SIR AND BRETHREN:

I beg leave to present my annual report, containing an account of all moneys received by me, and paid to the Grand Treasurer during the year ending 31st of May, 1911, including the following statements, viz.:

A Summary of Receipts from various sources on General Account, Details of Receipts on General Account; Details of payments thereof to the Grand Treasurer; a Summary of Expenditure for the year; Details of the Returns of Lodges as at the 24th June, 1911, and Details of the Ledger Balances as at the 31st May, 1911; a Summary of Receipts and Payments to the Grand Treasurer on Account of the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund; a statement of the amount contributed to the Fund by Lodges, and from other sources, showing the details of receipts on Capital Account for the year, and the aggregates from each Lodge from the commencement of the Fund to the 31st of May, 1911, and the quota of each Lodge; and a statement of the Receipts and Disbursements for the year on the S. C. B. Fund Revenue Account. Also a record of dispensations issued, By-laws and amendments thereto approved, and other official acts of the M. W. the Grand Master.

\$63,979 20

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

PAYMENTS TO GRAND TREASURER.

1910					
June	17	Deposit	.....	\$ 179 25	
	23	"	.....	203 00	
	28	"	.....	2,072 35	
	29	"	.....	1,884 85	
	30	"	.....	1,409 30	
					\$ 5,748 75
July	2	Deposit	.....	\$21,971 46	
	4	"	.....	2,234 00	
	6	"	.....	1,517 75	
	12	"	.....	2,716 65	
	15	"	.....	1,969 90	
	25	"	.....	1,588 75	
	30	"	.....	212 10	
					32,210 61
Aug	13	Deposit	.....	\$ 653 75	
	20	"	.....	197 35	
	31	"	.....	335 57	
					1,186 67
Sept.	14	Deposit	.....	\$ 982 57	
	26	"	.....	136 28	
					1,118 85
Oct.	7	Deposit	.....	368 25	
	20	"	.....	602 00	
	29	"	.....	587 15	
					1,557 40
Nov.	10	Deposit	.....	\$ 487 50	
	25	"	.....	1,130 04	
	30	"	.....	159 97	
	30	"	.....	86 85	
					1,864 36
Dec.	2	Deposit	.....	\$ 267 61	
	20	"	.....	340 25	
	30	"	.....	1,048 15	
	31	"	.....	740 83	
					2,396 84
1911					
Jan.	3	Deposit	.....	\$ 467 66	
	10	"	.....	3,016 50	
	14	"	.....	2,281 29	
	20	"	.....	2,151 45	
	27	"	.....	1,718 60	
	31	"		393 40	
					10,028 90
Feb.	3	Deposit		\$ 675 50	
	10	"		424 00	
	15	"		643 90	
				731 50	
	28	"		481 55	
					2,956 45

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Mar.	11	Deposit		\$ 765 35	
	17	"		424 75	
	23	"		354 35	
	31	"		346 50	
					1,890 95
Apr.	3	Deposit		\$ 703 71	
	15	"		563 40	
	27	"	.....	632 10	
	29	"	.....	134 10	
					2,033 31
May	9	Deposit	.....	\$433 10	
	30	"	.....	122 36	
	31	"	.....	430 65	
					986 11
					<u>\$63,979 20</u>

DETAILS OF RECEIPTS OF GRAND LODGE ON GENERAL ACCOUNT

2	Niagara, Niagara	\$ 85 00
3	Ancient St. John's, Kingston	112 50
5	Sussex, Brockville	148 25
6	Barton, Hamilton	297 75
7	Union, Grimsby	89 60
9	Union, Napanee	92 75
10	Norfolk, Simcoe	99 75
11	Moir, Belleville	183 35
14	True Britons, Perth	81 50
15	St. George's, St. Catharines	69 00
16	St. Andrew's, Toronto.. .. .	251 75
17	St. John's, Cobourg	44 75
18	Prince Edward, Picton	159 75
20	St. John's, London	141 50
21a	St. John's, Vankleek Hill	51 25
22	King Solomon's, Toronto	229 75
23	Richmond, Richmond Hill	42 75
24	St. Francis, Smith's Falls	104 50
25	Ionic, Toronto	145 50
26	Ontario, Port Hope	105 13
27	Strict Observance, Hamilton	270 25
28	Mount Zion, Kemptville	66 75
29	United, Brighton	71 00
30	Composite, Whitby	58 00
31	Jerusalem, Bowmanville	86 25
32	Amity, Dunnville	101 85
33	Maitland, Goderich	124 50
34	Thistle, Amherstburg	74 70
35	St. John's, Cayuga	52 75
37	King Hiram, Ingersoll	91 75
38	Trent, Trenton	100 75
39	Mount Zion, Brooklin	69 00
40	St. John's, Hamilton	317 00
41	St. George's, Kingsville	120 75
42	St. George's, London	117 50
43	King Solomon's, Woodstock	197 50
44	St. Thomas, St. Thomas	252 25
45	Brant, Brantford	300 60
46	Wellington, Chatham	176 75
47	Great Western, Windsor	350 25
48	Madoc, Madoc	105 50
50	Consecon, Consecon	43 25
52	Dalhousie, Ottawa	193 80
54	Vaughan, Maple	31 25
55	Merrickville, Merrickville	54 50
56	Victoria, Sarnia	150 50
57	Harmony, Binbrook	45 25
58	Doric, Ottawa	134 50
61	Acacia, Hamilton	329 10
62	St. Andrew's, Caledonia	39 00
63	St. John's, Carleton Place	103 00
64	Kilwinning, London	150 75

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65	Rehoboam, Toronto	288 75
66	Durham, Newcastle	47 25
68	St. John's, Ingersoll	72 50
69	Stirling, Stirling	72 75
72	Alma, Galt	102 50
73	St. James', St. Mary's	72 00
74	St. James', S. Augusta	40 50
75	St. John's, Toronto	141 00
76	Oxford, Woodstock	180 00
77	Faithful Brethren, Lindsay .. .	171 75
78	King Hiram, Tilsonburg	194 00
79	Simcoe, Bradford	57 00
81	St. John's, Mt. Bridges	77 50
82	St. John's, Paris	105 75
83	Beaver, Strathroy	104 75
84	Clinton, Clinton	66 00
85	Rising Sun, Athens	60 30
86	Wilson, Toronto	186 75
87	Markham Union, Markham	46 25
88	St. George's, Owen Sound	134 50
90	Manito, Collingwood	143 75
91	Colborne, Colborne	80 50
92	Cataraqui, Kingston	133 00
93	Northern Light, Kincardine	82 50
94	St. Mark's, Port Stanley	42 25
96	Corinthian, Barrie	138 00
97	Sharon, Queensville	50 75
98	True Blue, Bolton	75 75
99	Tuscan, Newmarket	72 75
100	Valley, Dundas	105 35
101	Corinthian, Peterborough	102 25
103	Maple Leaf, St. Catharines	128 50
104	St. John's, Norwich	66 00
105	St. Mark's, Niagara Falls	122 00
106	Burford, Burford	43 00
107	St. Paul's, Lambeth	98 25
108	Blenheim, Princeton	35 75
109	Albion, Harrowsmith	61 00
110	Central, Prescott	71 00
113	Wilson, Waterford	104 50
114	Hope, Port Hope	91 00
115	Ivy, Beamsville	106 25
116	Cassia, Thedford	38 25
118	Union, Schomberg	67 25
119	Maple Leaf, Bath	56 75
120	Warren, Fingal	47 75
121	Doric, Brantford	315 50
122	Renfrew, Renfrew	94 75
123	Belleville, Belleville	134 10
125	Cornwall, Cornwall	90 25
126	Golden Rule, Campbellford	75 35
127	Franck, Frankford	66 00
128	Pembroke, Pembroke	111 50
129	Rising Sun, Aurora	94 50
131	St. Lawrence, Southampton	58 50

133	Lebanon Forest, Exeter ..	66 50
135	St. Clair, Milton	74 50
136	Richardson, Stouffville ..	52 25
137	Pythagoras, Meaford	75 00
139	Lebanon, Oshawa ..	99 25
140	Malahide, Aylmer ..	99 25
141	Tudor, Mitchell ..	35 00
142	Excelsior, Morrisburg ..	43 75
143	Friendly Brothers, Iroquois ..	54 50
144	Tecumseh, Stratford ..	213 00
145	J. B. Hall, Millbrook	32 00
146	Prince of Wales, Newburgh ..	48 25
147	Mississippi, Almonte	55 80
148	Civil Service, Ottawa	124 25
149	Erie, Port Dover ..	49 25
151	Grand River, Berlin	156 25
153	Burns, Wyoming ..	79 00
154	Irving, Lucan ..	64 55
155	Peterborough, Peterborough ..	139 00
156	York, North Toronto ..	202 75
157	Simpson, Newboro ..	64 00
158	Alexandra, Oil Springs ..	56 40
159	Goodwood, Richmond ..	62 50
161	Percy, Warkworth ..	75 00
162	Forest, Wroxeter ..	24 50
164	Star in the East, Wellington ..	84 25
165	Burlington ..	94 00
166	Wentworth, Stoney Creek ..	87 75
168	Merritt, Welland ..	84 75
169	Macnab, Port Colborne ..	44 00
170	Britannia, Seaforth ..	73 75
171	Prince of Wales, Lawrence Station	51 25
172	Ayr, Ayr ..	32 00
174	Walsingham, Port Rowan ..	59 50
177	The Builders, Ottawa ..	82 75
178	Plattsville, Plattsville ..	28 50
180	Speed, Guelph ..	115 00
181	Oriental, Port Burwell ..	31 90
184	Old Light, Lucknow ..	53 75
185	Enniskillen, York ..	.....
186	Plantagenet, Plantagenet ..	33 50
190	Belmont, Belmont ..	48 00
192	Orillia, Orillia ..	125 30
193	Scotland, Scotland ..	58 30
194	Petrolia, Petrolia ..	77 00
195	Tuscan, London ..	67 50
196	Madawaska, Arnprior ..	93 50
197	Saugeen, Walkerton ..	48 45
200	St. Alban's, Mt. Forest ..	89 45
201	Leeds, Gananoque ..	97 25
203	Irvine, Elora ..	69 75
205	New Dominion, New Hamburg ..	44 00
207	Lancaster, Lancaster ..	63 50
209a	St. John's, London ..	206 25
209	Evergreen, Lanark ..	43 75

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212	Elysian, Garden Island	14 75
215	Lake, Ameliasburg	51 50
216	Harris, Orangeville	66 25
217	Frederick, Delhi .. .....	.....
218	Stevenson, Toronto	155 50
219	Credit, Georgetown	94 50
220	Zeredatha, Uxbridge	119 50
221	Mountain, Thorold	93 75
222	Marmora, Marmora	60 00
223	Norwood, Norwood	75 25
224	Zurich, Hensall	49 00
225	Bernard, Listowel	94 25
228	Prince Arthur, Odessa	48 50
229	Ionic, Brampotn	93 50
230	Kerr, Barrie	100 25
231	Fidelity, Ottawa	193 00
232	Cameron, Dutton	47 25
233	Doric, Parkhill	51 50
234	Beaver, Clarksburg	75 00
235	Aldworth, Paisley	23 25
236	Manitoba, Cookstown	47 25
237	Vienna, Vienna	41 50
238	Havelock, Watford	40 25
239	Tweed, Tweed	105 75
242	Macoy, Mallorytown	62 25
243	St. George, St. George	44 75
245	Tecumseh, Thamesville	82 75
247	Ashlar, Toronto	251 20
249	Caledonia, Midland	102 25
250	Thistle, Embro	29 75
253	Minden, Kingston	98 50
254	Clifton, Niagara Falls	127 25
255	Sydenham, Dresden	56 00
256	Farran's Point, Aultsville	53 00
257	Galt, Galt	136 50
258	Guelph, Guelph	68 00
259	Springfield, Springfield	47 25
260	Washington, Petrolia	85 25
261	Oak Branch, Innerkip	34 25
262	Harriston, Harriston	63 75
263	Forest, Forest	93 50
264	Chaudiere, Ottawa	186 00
265	Patterson, Thornhill	65 50
266	Northern Light, Stayner	50 50
267	Parthenon, Chatham	161 00
268	Verulam, Bobcaygeon	50 50
269	Brougham Union, Claremont	71 45
270	Cedar, Oshawa	97 00
271	Wellington, Erin	62 05
272	Seymour, Ancaster	77 25
274	Kent, Blenheim	104 25
276	Teeswater, Teeswater	22 75
277	Seymour, Port Dalhousie	45 00
279	New Hope, Hespeler	62 75
282	Lorne, Glencoe	42 50

283	Eureka, Belleville	73 25
284	St. John's, Brussels	64 50
285	Seven Star, Alliston	53 30
286	Wingham, Wingham	57 50
287	Shuniah, Port Arthur	187 25
289	Doric, Lobo	34 00
290	Leamington, Leamington	79 00
291	Dufferin, West Flamboro	64 50
292	Robertson, King	22 50
294	Moore, Courtright	46 25
295	Conestogo, Drayton	63 25
296	Temple, St. Catharines	67 75
297	Preston, Preston	55 25
299	Victoria, Centreville	43 50
300	Mount Olivet, Thorndale	37 75
302	St. David's, St. Thomas	288 00
303	Blyth, Blyth	50 25
304	Minerva, Stroud	81 00
305	Humber, Weston	62 30
306	Durham, Durham	42 30
307	Arkona, Arkona	41 75
309	Morning Star, Carlow	53 00
311	Blackwood, Woodbridge	65 25
312	Pnyx, Wallaceburg	67 00
313	Clementi, Lakefield	81 25
314	Blair, Palmerston	62 50
315	Clifford, Clifford	51 00
316	Doric, Toronto	282 25
318	Wilmot, Baden	24 25
319	Hiram, Hagersville	47 25
320	Chesterville, Chesterville	66 25
321	Walker, Acton	95 25
322	North Star, Owen Sound	137 80
323	Alvinston, Alvinston	43 25
324	Temple, Hamilton	284 50
325	Orono, Orono	44 75
326	Zetland, Toronto	310 80
327	Hammond, Wardsville	20 00
328	Ionic, Napier	27 30
329	King Solomon's, Jarvis	50 00
330	Corinthian, London	135 10
331	Fordwich, Fordwich	33 40
332	Stratford, Stratford	121 25
333	Prince Arthur, Flesherton	47 75
334	Prince Arthur, Arthur	36 35
336	Highgate, Highgate	53 50
337	Myrtle, Port Robinson	29 75
338	Dufferin, Wellandport	22 00
339	Orient, Toronto	244 00
341	Bruce, Tiverton	47 75
343	Georgina, Toronto	229 75
344	Merrill, Dorchester Station	34 50
345	Nilestown, Nilestown	41 75
346	Occident, Toronto	262 50
347	Mercer, Fergus	43 75

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348	Georgian, Penetang ..	57 00
352	Granite, Parry Sound ..	111 75
354	Brock, Cannington ..	38 75
356	River Park, Streetsville ..	46 25
357	Waterdown, Millgrove ..	98 70
358	Delaware Valley, Delaware ..	74 25
359	Vittoria, Vittoria ..	36 50
360	Muskoka, Bracebridge ..	54 50
361	Waverley, Guelph ..	124 00
362	Maple Leaf, Tara ..	47 00
364	Dufferin, Melbourne ..	.....
367	St. George, Toronto ..	256 20
368	Salem, Brockville ..	133 25
369	Mimico, Lambton Mills ..	72 00
370	Harmony, Delta ..	47 50
371	Prince of Wales, Ottawa ..	102 00
372	Palmer, Bridgeburg ..	95 00
373	Copestone, Welland ...	94 75
374	Keene, Keene ..	17 00
375	Lorne, Omemee ..	29 00
376	Unity, Huntsville ..	52 75
377	Lorne, Shelburne ..	65 25
378	King Solomon's, London West ..	142 75
379	Middlesex, Bryanston ..	21 00
380	Union, London ...	162 75
382	Doric, Hamilton ..	221 25
383	Henderson, W. Winchester ..	75 00
384	Alpha, Toronto ...	366 00
385	Spry, Beeton ..	55 50
386	McColl, West Lorne ..	60 50
387	Lansdowne, Lansdowne ..	32 25
388	Henderson, Ilderton ..	55 25
389	Crystal Fountain, N. Augusta	20 50
390	Florence, Florence ..	22 50
391	Howard, Ridgetown ..	53 25
392	Huron, Camlachie ..	50 25
393	Forest, Chesley ..	46 25
394	King Solomon's, Thamesford ..	51 25
395	Parvaim, Comber ..	48 75
396	Cedar, Wiarton ..	105 50
397	Leopold, Brigden ..	53 00
398	Victoria, Kirkfield ..	92 00
399	Moffat, Harrietsville ..	25 00
400	Oakville, Oakville ..	88 25
401	Craig, Deseronto ..	94 00
402	Central, Essex ..	49 00
403	Windsor, Windsor ..	212 50
404	Lorne, Tamworth ..	46 35
405	Mattawa, Mattawa ..	69 35
406	Spry, Fenelon Falls ..	46 25
408	Murray, Beaverton ..	28 00
409	Golden Rule, Gravenhurst ..	68 75
410	Zeta, Toronto ..	213 50
411	Rodney, Rodney ..	31 50
412	Keystone, Sault Ste. Marie ..	167 75

413	Naphtali, Tilbury	306 50
414	Pequonga, Kenora	123 75
415	Fort William, Fort William	200 25
416	Lyn, Lyn	22 25
417	Keewatin, Keewatin	56 00
418	Maxville, Maxville	52 25
419	Bismarck, Point Edward	43 50
420	Nipissing, North Bay	155 50
421	Scott, Grand Valley	61 85
422	Star of the East, Bothwell	44 25
423	Strong, Sundridge	52 50
424	Doric, Pickering	44 20
425	St. Clair, Sombra	52 25
426	Stanley, Toronto	262 25
427	Nickel, Sudbury	100 50
428	Fidelity, Port Perry	95 25
429	Port Elgin, Port Elgin	39 50
430	Acacia, Toronto	129 75
431	Moravian, Eden Grove.....	43 50
432	Hanover, Hanover	39 50
433	Bonnechere, Eganville	40 75
434	Algonquin, Emsdale	113 75
435	Havelock, Havelock	82 00
436	Burns, Hepworth	7 25
437	Tuscan, Sarnia	119 50
438	Harmony, Toronto	271 50
439	Alexandria, Alexandria	46 75
440	Arcadia, Minden	33 50
441	Westport, Westport	44 50
442	Dyment, Thessalon	60 75
443	Powassan, Powassan	48 50
444	Nitetis, Creemore	61 25
445	Lake of the Woods, Kenora	12 00
446	Granite, Fort Frances	70 00
447	Sturgeon Falls, Sturgeon Falls	65 00
448	Xenophon, Wheatley	42 00
449	Dundalk, Dundalk	27 00
450	Hawkesbury, Hawkesbury	35 25
451	Kinmount, Somerville	34 25
452	Avonmore, Avonmore	31 75
453	Royal, Fort William	156 00
454	Corona, Burk's Falls	53 75
455	Doric, Little Current	58 50
456	Elma, Monkton	41 50
457	Century, Merlin	25 00
458	Wales, Wales	37 50
459	Cobden, Cobden	44 25
460	Rideau, Seeley's Bay	71 25
461	Ionic, Rainy River	35 15
462	Temiscaming, New Liskeard	129 25
463	North Entrance, Haliburton	29 75
464	King Edward, Sunderland	70 25
465	Carleton, Carp	29 25
466	Coronation, Elmvale	53 00
467	Tottenham, Tottenham	71 05

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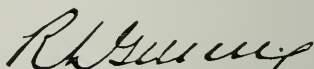
468	Peel, Caledon East	37 20
469	Algoma, Sault Ste Marie .. .	85 75
470	Victoria, Victoria Harbor .. .	77 75
471	King Edward VII., Chippawa	36 00
472	Gore Bay, Gore Bay .. .	60 00
473	The Beaches, Toronto .. .	129 75
474	Victoria, Toronto .. .	139 50
475	Dundurn, Hamilton .. .	122 35
476	Corinthian, North Gower .. .	30 75
477	Harding, Woodville .. .	26 75
478	Milverton, Milverton .. .	58 75
479	Russell, Russell .. .	68 00
480	Williamsburg, N. Williamsburg ..	31 50
481	Corinthian, Toronto .. .	70 75
482	Bancroft, Bancroft .. .	75 00
483	Granton, Granton .. .	35 50
484	Golden Star, Dryden .. .	88 25
485	Haileybury, Haileybury .. .	151 50
486	Silver, Cobalt .. .	150 50
487	Penewobikong, Blind River .. .	43 50
488	King Edward, Harrow .. .	52 50
489	Osiris, Smith's Falls .. .	55 00
490	Hiram, Markdale .. .	21 00
491	Cardinal, Cardinal .. .	52 25
492	Karnak, Coldwater .. .	62 55
493	St. Mary's, St. Mary's .. .	211 50
494	Riverdale, Toronto .. .	252 35
495	Electric, Hamilton .. .	145 50
496	University, Toronto .. .	76 75
	U.D. St. Andrew's, Arden .. .	18 00
	U.D. King George V, Coboconk .. .	57 00
Total receipts from Lodges .. .		\$36,596 73
Sundries .. .		762 95
Interest .. .		5,024 13
Debentures redeemed .. .		21,595 39
		\$63,979 20

Abstract of Expenditure on General Account

Year Ending May 31st, 1911

Salary of Grand Treasurer, E. T. Malone, to 31st March, 1911.....	\$ 200 00
Salary of Grand Secretary, R. L. Gunn, to 31st March, 1911.....	2,833 33
Salary of Auditor, H. Vigeon, to 31st March, 1910.....	300 00
J. P. Muir, former chief clerk, superannuation to May 31st, 1911	800 01
Thomas Pedler, chief clerk, salary to May 31st, 1911...	800 01
J. Place, stenographer, salary to May 31st, 1911.....	720 00
F. J. Brown, clerk, salary to May 31st, 1911.....	600 00
Incidental expenses, Grand Secretary's Office.....	972 56
Printing and stationery.....	2,222 86
Certificates and warrants.....	1,557 85
Telephone service	57 00
Insurance on furniture, books, regalia and bond of Grand Secretary.....	90 50
Safety Deposit Box rental.....	25 00
Office rent.....	460 00
Office fuel	81 34
Portraits and frames.....	30 35
Repairs to regalia.....	8 00
Postage on Proceedings.....	169 69
Postage of D. G. M. and Chairmen of Committees.....	35 00
Ballot boxes.....	780 50
Expenses of Grand Lodge and Board of General Purposes at Belleville.....	1,473 33
Expenses of Commissions	73 25
Expenses of Ceremonies and Delegations	212 10
Masonic Relief Association, membership fee, one year..	230 70
Inspection of Benevolent Grants.....	1,000 00
Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence....	150 00
Refund, fee on dispensation.....	10 00
Travelling expenses, on account, M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, G. M.....	700 00
Stenographer for Grand Master.....	100 00
Stenographer for Deputy Grand Master.....	25 00
Accrued Interest on debentures purchased... ..	78 69
	\$16,797 07
Grants for Benevolence.....	26,275 00
Investments.....	21,057 36
	\$64,129 43

Hamilton, June 15, 1911.



Grand Secretary.

Certified to as being correct.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

June 20th, 1911.

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SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS ON CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

Contributions from lodges, per detailed statement annexed	\$22,476 82
Debenture matured, Town of Berlin	46 46

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS ON REVENUE ACCOUNT

Interest on investments and bank account per detailed statement annexed	3,214 68
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\$25,737 96

PAYMENTS TO GRAND TREASURER.

1910				
June	3	Deposit	\$ 784 25	
	7	"	467 26	
	17	"	981 25	
	20	"	773 67	
	28	"	1,052 85	
	29	"	344 50	
	30	"	254 00	
				\$ 4,657 78
July	2	Deposit	\$ 225 00	
	6	"	341 00	
	12	"	1,104 00	
	15	"	159 00	
	30	"	440 50	
				2,269 50
Aug.	13	Deposit	\$ 251 00	
	31	"	137 00	
				388 00
Sept.	26	Deposit	\$ 458 50	
				458 50
Oct.	7	Deposit	\$ 86 00	
	20	"	438 20	
	29	"	497 25	
				1,021 45
Nov.	10	Deposit	\$ 593 45	
	18	"	452 50	
	25	"	557 63	
	30	"	370 40	
	30	"	20 54	
				1,994 52
Dec.	2	Deposit	\$ 426 08	
	7	"	402 05	
	14	"	876 00	
	20	"	366 53	
	30	"	1,267 50	
	31	"	412 67	
				3,750 83

1911					
Jan.	3	Deposit	.....	\$ 405 00	
	11	"	.....	748 02	
	16	"	.....	400 00	
	31	"	.....	362 50	
					1,915 52
Feb.	10	Deposit	.....	\$ 336 32	
	15	"	.....	473 20	
	23	"	.....	335 50	
	28	"	.....	47 85	
					1,192 87
Mar.	11	Deposit	.....	\$ 439 75	
	17	"	.....	584 00	
	23	"	.....	927 40	
	31	"	.....	611 00	
					2,562 15
Apr.	15	"	.....	\$ 524 80	
	27	"	.....	1,080 95	
	29	"	.....	525 00	
					2,130 75
May	9	Deposit		\$ 535 00	
	16	"		476 00	
	26	"		877 58	
	30	"		80 91	
	31	"		1,334 60	
	31	"		92 00	
					3,396 09
					\$25,737 96

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SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND.

Statement of Contributions received from Lodges to May 31, 1911.

(Lodges marked with a star have contributed the full amount asked for, or more).

No.	Name of Lodge	Location.	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31, 1911	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31, 1911
2	Niagara	Niagara	\$ 195 00	120 00	180 00
*3	Ancient St. John's ..	Kingston ..	465 00	85 25	465 00
*5	Sussex	Brockville ..	561 00	271 00	561 00
*6	Barton	Hamilton ..	924 00	.....	1105 80
*7	Union	Grimsby ..	222 00	.....	222 00
9	Union	Napanee ..	309 00	24 50	227 00
*10	Norfolk	Simcoe ..	330 00	.....	332 00
*11	Moirs	Belleville ..	513 00	.....	513 12
14	True Britons	Perth ..	273 00	.....	10 00
*15	St. George's .. .	St. Catharines ..	312 00	292 00	312 00
*16	St. Andrew's .. .	Toronto ..	930 00	.....	935 60
17	St. John's	Cobourg ..	255 00	95 00	108 00
18	Prince Edward .. .	Picton ..	663 00	116 00	455 00
*20	St. John's	London ..	438 00	8 47	446 47
21a	St. John's	Vankleek Hill ..	213 00	42 00	98 00
*22	King Solomon's .. .	Toronto ..	693 00	.....	693 00
*23	Richmond	Richmond Hill ..	114 00	.....	114 00
*24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls ..	390 00	.....	392 50
*25	Ionic	Toronto ..	735 00	242 00	1388 59
*26	Ontario	Port Hope ..	330 00	58 10	330 00
*27	Strict Observance ..	Hamilton ..	1023 00	.....	1041 15
28	Mount Zion	Kemptville ..	141 00	70 00	117 00
*29	United	Brighton ..	303 00	.....	303 00
*30	Composite	Whitby ..	219 00	1 00	233 00
*31	Jerusalem	Bowmanville ..	228 00	.....	228 00
32	Amity	Dunnville ..	282 00	5 00	135 00
33	Maitland	Goderich ..	381 00	222 50	322 64
*34	Thistle	Amherstburg ..	192 00	86 00	192 00
*35	St. John's	Cayuga ..	186 00	.....	186 00
*37	King Hiram	Ingersoll ..	252 00	.....	263 00
*38	Trent	Trenton ..	270 00	6 00	300 00
*39	Mount Zion	Brooklin ..	78 00	.....	78 00
*40	St. John's	Hamilton ..	1143 00	.....	1201 00
41	St. George's	Kingsville ..	297 00	88 50	117 50
*42	St. George's	London ..	261 00	64 50	272 00
*43	King Solomon's .. .	Woodstock ..	366 00	210 50	384 50
*44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas ..	597 00	364 00	642 00
*45	Brant	Brantford ..	531 00	346 37	531 37
*46	Wellington	Chatham ..	483 00	212 00	483 00
*47	Great Western .. .	Windsor ..	726 00	250 00	827 50
48	Madoc	Madoc ..	321 00	100 00	110 00
*50	Consecon	Consecon ..	120 00		120 00
*52	Dalhousie	Ottawa ..	456 00	3 00	628 00
*54	Vaughan	Maple ..	114 00		114 00

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No.	Name of Lodge	Location.	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31. 1911	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31. 1911
55	Merrickville	Merrickville	237 00	30 00	127 50
*56	Victoria	Sarnia	537 00	21 00	558 00
*57	Harmony	Binbrook	168 00	123 00	168 00
*58	Doric	Ottawa	348 00	.....	418 00
*61	Acacia	Hamilton	939 00	.....	1120 05
*62	St. Andrew's	Caledonia	138 00	.....	155 00
*63	St. John's	Carleton Place	450 00	.....	451 00
64	Kilwinning	London	552 00	112 00	213 00
*65	Rehoboam	Toronto	819 00	388 00	841 00
*66	Durham	Newcastle	60 00	32 00	60 00
*68	St. John's	Ingersoll	243 00	215 00	249 00
69	Stirling	Stirling	201 00	55 50	129 50
*72	Alma	Galt	363 00	39 00	363 00
73	St. James'	St. Mary's	231 00	18 00	99 00
*74	St. James'	South Augusta	165 00	.....	165 00
*75	St. John's	Toronto	618 00	143 00	618 00
*76	Oxford	Woodstock	405 00	253 00	405 00
*77	Faithful Brethren	Lindsay	351 00	30 00	382 00
78	King Hiram	Tillsonburg	399 00	315 00	315 00
79	Simcoe	Bradford	201 00	29 00	29 00
*81	St. John's	Mt. Brydges	177 00	102 00	177 00
*82	St. John's	Paris	186 00	154 00	186 00
83	Beaver	Strathroy	279 00	50 00	175 00
84	Clinton	Clinton	204 00	33 00	33 00
85	Rising Sun	Athens	180 00	50 00	50 00
*86	Wilson	Toronto	603 00	.....	660 00
*87	Markham Union	Markham	141 00	33 00	141 00
*88	St. George's	Owen Sound	405 00	.....	405 00
90	Manito	Collingwood	465 00	95 00	298 00
*91	Colborne	Colborne	246 00	.....	271 00
*92	Cataraqui	Kingston	438 00	.....	438 00
*93	Northern Light	Kincardine	258 00	.....	258 00
*94	St. Mark's	Port Stanley	132 00	106 20	159 20
*96	Corinthian	Barrie	510 00	.....	510 00
97	Sharon	Queensville	159 00	12 50	142 50
98	True Blue	Bolton	183 00	.....	56 50
99	Tuscan	Newmarket	204 00	100 00	100 00
*100	Valley	Dundas	294 00	147 00	326 00
*101	Corinthian	Peterboro	363 00	.....	363 00
*103	Maple Leaf	St. Catharines	423 00	.....	423 00
*104	St. John's	Norwich	231 00	81 00	266 00
*105	St. Mark's	Niagara Falls	258 00	88 00	267 75
106	Burford	Burford	213 00	57 00	57 00
107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	204 00	76 95	104 00
*108	Blenheim	Princeton	87 00	40 00	87 00
*109	Albion	Harrowsmith	198 00	82 00	198 00
*110	Central	Prescott	312 00		312 00
*113	Wilson	Waterford	303 00		331 50
114	Hope	Port Hope	288 00	81 83	187 83

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No.	Name of Lodge	Location.	Quota based on member- ship, G. L Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31. 1911	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31, 1911
115	Ivy	Beamsville	267 00	.....	62 25
116	Cassia	Thedford	111 00	47 00	84 00
*118	Union	Schomberg	57 00	.....	90 00
*119	Maple Leaf	Bath	123 00	.....	158 00
120	Warren	Fingal	150 00	51 50	84 50
*121	Doric	Brantford	735 00	87 00	1027 00
*122	Renfrew	Renfrew	351 00	.....	351 00
*123	Belleville	Belleville	435 00	.....	435 00
125	Cornwall	Cornwall	303 00	140 00	229 00
*126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	123 00	85 00	135 00
*127	Franck	Frankford	261 00	177 00	267 00
*128	Pembroke	Pembroke	426 00	152 00	539 00
*129	Rising Sun	Aurora	198 00	18 00	198 00
*131	St. Lawrence	Southampton	195 00	131 00	195 00
*133	Lebanon Forest	Exeter	249 00	.....	249 00
135	St. Clair	Milton	228 00	71 00	96 00
136	Richardson	Stouffville	159 00	97 00	142 00
*137	Pythagoras	Meaford	273 00	.....	279 00
*139	Lebanon	Oshawa	204 00	.....	204 00
*140	Malahide	Aylmer	315 00	149 00	315 00
*141	Tudor	Mitchell	135 00	45 00	140 00
142	Excelsior	Morrisburg	201 00	32 00	35 00
*143	Friendly Brothers	Iroquois	282 00	.....	282 00
*144	Tecumseh	Stratford	408 00	.....	408 00
*145	J. B. Hall	Millbrook	150 00	82 50	150 00
*146	Prince of Wales	Newburgh	138 00	101 00	139 00
*147	Mississippi	Almonte	246 00	76 00	246 00
*148	Civil Service	Ottawa	294 00	100 00	295 00
149	Erie	Port Dover	171 00	82 00	117 00
*151	Grand River	Berlin	381 00	200 00	381 00
153	Burns	Wyoming	258 00	25 00	85 00
154	Irving	Lucan	231 00	.....	100 00
*155	Peterboro	Peterboro'	549 00	2 00	584 50
156	York	North Toronto	291 00	46 00	165 00
157	Simpson	Newboro'	195 00	98 00	110 00
158	Alexandra	Oil Springs	183 00	.....	48 50
*159	Goodwood	Richmond	198 00	.....	198 00
161	Percy	Warkworth	216 00	.....	51 00
162	Forest	Wroxeter	114 00	.....	20 00
*164	Star in the East	Wellington	231 00	123 00	231 00
*165	Burlington	Burlington	243 00	.....	243 00
*166	Wentworth	Stoney Creek	303 00	250 00	303 00
*168	Merritt	Welland	246 00	.....	246 00
*169	Macnab	Port Colborne	183 00	.....	183 00
170	Britannia	Seaforth	273 00	155 00	246 50
171	Prince of Wales	Lawrence Station	141 00	.....	9 50
*172	Ayr	Ayr	75 00	61 00	75 00
*174	Walsingham	Port Rowan	168 00	143 00	168 00
*177	Builders	Ottawa	483 00	142 00	483 00

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No.	Name of Lodge	Location.	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31. 1911	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31. 1911
178	Plattsville	Plattsville	117 00	52 00	55 00
*180	Speed	Guelph	219 00	.....	219 60
181	Oriental	Port Burwell	99 00	24 00	24 00
*184	Old Light	Lucknow	246 00	125 00	246 00
185	Enniskillen	Yerk	87 00	.....	33 00
*186	Plantagenet	Plantagenet	117 00	6 00	132 00
190	Belmont	Belmont	132 00	.....	38 50
*192	Orillia	Orillia	405 00	.....	405 00
*193	Scotland	Scotland	195 00	130 00	195 00
194	Petrolia	Petrolia	228 00	9 00	12 00
*195	Tuscan	London	228 00	.....	240 00
*196	Madawaska	Arnprior	291 00	.....	300 00
*197	Saugeen	Walkerton	165 00	62 00	165 00
*200	St. Alban's	Mount Forest	186 00	120 00	186 00
*201	Leeds	Gananoque	375 00	.....	375 00
*203	Irving	Elora	159 00	.....	159 00
205	New Dominion	New Hamburg	108 00	24 00	95 00
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	189 00	.....	24 00
*209a	St. John's	London	732 00	386 50	732 00
*209	Evergreen	Lanark	117 00	117 50	117 50
*212	Elysian	Garden Island	57 00	41 00	57 00
215	Lake	Ameliasburg	174 00	147 00	147 00
*216	Harris	Orangeville	426 00	230 00	426 00
217	Frederick	Delhi	186 00	54 50	55 50
*218	Stevenson	Toronto	555 00	470 00	567 00
*219	Credit	Georgetown	252 00	109 00	252 00
*220	Zeredatha	Uxbridge	249 00	215 00	249 00
*221	Mountain	Thorold	249 00	227 00	262 00
*222	Marmora	Marmora	237 00	165 00	237 00
*223	Norwood	Norwood	213 00	.....	213 00
*224	Zurich	Hensall	174 00	174 00	174 00
225	Bernard	Listowel	267 00	133 00	206 00
*228	Prince Arthur	Odessa	117 00	.....	119 00
*229	Ionic	Brampton	228 00	.....	228 00
230	Kerr	Barrie	309 00	.....	57 00
*231	Fidelity	Ottawa	399 00	.....	401 00
232	Cameron	Dutton	183 00	80 00	98 00
233	Doric	Parkhill	150 00	.....	47 00
*234	Beaver	Clarksburg	198 00	47 00	198 00
235	Aldworth	Paisley	138 00	53 00	88 00
*236	Manitoba	Cookstown	150 00	.....	154 00
237	Vienna	Vienna	165 00	47 50	100 50
238	Havelock	Watford	207 00	53 00	53 00
*239	Tweed	Tweed	201 00	201 00	201 00
*242	Macoy	Mallorytown	213 00	44 00	213 00
*243	St. George	St. George	183 00	130 00	183 00
*245	Tecumseh	Thamesville	174 00	117 00	174 00
*247	Ashlar	Toronto	831 00	.....	850 00
*249	Caledonian	Midland	369 00	97 50	369 00

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31, 1911	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31, 1911
250	Thistle	Embro	78 00	42 00	42 00
*253	Minden	Kingston	246 00	37 00	246 00
*254	Clifton	Niagara Falls	384 00	211 30	384 00
*255	Sydenham	Dresden	177 00	167 00	177 00
256	Farran's Point	Aultsville	180 00	3 00	45 00
*257	Galt	Galt	360 00	82 00	361 00
*258	Guelph	Guelph	258 00	.....	261 00
*259	Springfield	Springfield	54 00	18 00	172 00
*260	Washington	Petrolia	258 00	230 00	258 00
*261	Oak Branch	Innerkip	75 00	45 00	75 00
262	Harriston	Harriston	261 00	.....	32 00
*263	Forest	Forest	207 00	62 00	207 00
*264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	357 00	.....	371 00
*265	Patterson	Thornhill	132 00	.....	132 00
*266	Northern Light	Stayner	60 00	.....	67 00
*267	Parthenon	Chatham	282 00	234 00	282 67
*268	Verulam	Bobcaygeon	105 00	55 00	105 00
269	Brougham Union	Claremont	147 00	26 00	29 00
*270	Cedar	Oshawa	207 00	.....	208 00
271	Wellington	Erin	144 00	.....	39 50
272	Seymour	Ancaster	234 00	60 00	137 00
274	Kent	Blenheim	198 00	90 50	91 50
*276	Teeswater	Teeswater	78 00	54 00	78 00
*277	Seymour	Port Dalhousie	129 00	.....	129 00
*279	New Hope	Hespeler	168 00	32 00	168 00
*282	Lorne	Glencoe	165 00	.....	165 00
*283	Eureka	Belleville	201 00	.....	201 00
*284	St. John's	Bruessels	174 00	174 00	174 00
285	Seven Star	Alliston	189 00	2 00	30 00
*286	Wingham	Wingham	246 00	9 00	246 00
*287	Shuniah	Port Arthur	381 00	221 00	381 00
289	Doric	Lobo	120 00	9 00	40 00
290	Leamington	Leamington	321 00	.....	139 85
291	Dufferin	West Flamboro'	207 00	117 00	147 00
*292	Robertson	King	117 00	.....	117 00
*294	Moore	Courtright	99 00	64 00	99 00
*295	Conestogo	Drayton	144 00	35 00	144 00
*296	Temple	St. Catharines	174 00	.....	174 00
*297	Preston	Preston	135 00	.....	148 00
*299	Victoria	Centreville	96 00	79 00	96 00
*300	Mount Olivet	Thorndale	96 00	4 00	96 00
302	St. David's	St. Thomas	555 00	234 00	357 00
*303	Blyth	Blyth	168 00	118 00	168 00
*304	Minerva	Stroud	135 00	.....	135 00
*305	Humber	Weston	183 00	116 00	197 00
*306	Durham	Durham	147 00	.....	174 00
*307	Arkona	Arkona	111 00	85 00	111 00
309	Morning Star	Carlow	150 00	25 00	25 00
*311	Blackwood	Woodbridge	120 00	70 00	120 00

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No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31, 1911	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31, 1911
*312	Pnyx	Wallaceburg	258 00	77 00	258 00
*313	Clementi	Lakefield	183 00	115 50	194 50
*314	Blair	Palmerston	159 00	58 00	159 00
*315	Clifford	Clifford	84 00	.....	.84 00
*316	Doric	Toronto	786 00	24 03	810 03
*318	Wilnot	Baden	81 00	55 00	81 00
319	Hiram	Hagersville	108 00	.....	50 00
320	Chesterville	Chesterville	255 00	.....	48 00
*321	Walker	Acton	150 00	35 50	150 00
*322	North Star	Owen Sound	357 00	.....	363 00
323	Alvinston	Alvinston	180 00	7 00	70 25
*324	Temple	Hamilton	906 00	.....	906 00
*325	Orono	Orono	105 00	6 00	105 00
*326	Zetland	Toronto	1236 00	.....	1301 50
327	Hannond	Wardsville	66 00	.....	21 00
*328	Ionic	Napier	69 00	31 00	69 00
*329	King Solomon	Jarvis	162 00	143 00	162 00
330	Corinthian	London	324 00	70 00	203 00
*331	Fordwich	Fordwich	114 00	56 00	114 00
*332	Stratford	Stratford	495 00	.....	495 00
*333	Prince Arthur	Flesherton	156 00	18 00	216 00
*334	Prince Arthur	Arthur	150 00	.....	150 00
336	Highgate	Highgate	189 00	.....	59 00
*337	Myrtle	Port Robinson	84 00	.....	84 00
*338	Dufferin	Wellandport	144 00	89 25	146 25
*339	Orient	Toronto	747 00	481 00	747 00
341	Bruce	Fiverton	117 00	33 00	33 00
343	Georgina	Toronto	714 00	131 50	666 20
*344	Merrill	Dorchester Station .	96 00	62 00	96 00
*345	Nilestown	Nilestown	69 00	.....	69 00
*346	Occident	Toronto	594 00	.....	605 05
*347	Mercer	Fergus	156 00	.....	156 00
*348	Georgian	Penetanguishene . .	129 00	.....	129 00
352	Granite	Parry Sound	279 00	69 00	245 00
*354	Brock	Cannington	186 00	.....	190 00
356	River Park	Streetsville	117 00	.....	36 00
*357	Waterdown	Millgrove	228 00	.....	228 00
358	Delaware Valley	Delaware	105 00	.....	4 50
*359	Vittoria	Vittoria	123 00	93 00	123 00
*360	Muskoka	Bracebridge	201 00	.....	201 00
*361	Waverley	Guelph	390 00	.....	404 00
*362	Maple Leaf	Tara	150 00	31 00	150 00
364	Dufferin	Melbourne	78 00	.....	14 00
*367	St. George	Toronto	597 00	.....	597 00
368	Salem	Brockville	342 00	27 00	94 00
*369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	237 00	.....	237 00
370	Harmony	Delta	180 00	4 00	4 00
*371	Prince of Wales	Ottawa	267 00	56 25	267 25
*372	Palmer	Bridgeburg	225 00		228 00

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*373	Copestone	Welland	186 00	124 00	186 00
*374	Keene	Keene	93 00		93 00
*375	Lorne	Omeme	93 00	93 00	93 00
*376	Unity	Huntsville	270 00	151 70	270 70
377	Lorne	Shelburne	189 00	.....	106 00
*378	King Solomon	London	297 00	157 00	297 00
379	Middlesex	Bryanston	90 00	15 00	15 00
380	Union	London	435 00	54 00	219 00
*382	Doric	Hamilton	666 00	.....	666 00
383	Henderson	West Winchester	204 00	.....	54 00
*384	Alpha	Toronto	780 00	.....	781 00
*385	Spry	Beeton	177 00	115 50	177 00
386	McColl	West Lorne	186 00	75 00	93 25
*387	Lansdowne	Lansdowne	102 00	88 00	102 00
*388	Henderson	Ilderton	111 00	111 00	111 00
*389	Crystal Fountain	North Augusta	105 00	.....	126 00
*390	Florence	Florence	72 00	72 00	72 00
*391	Howard	Ridgetown	216 00	143 00	216 00
392	Huron	Camlachie	165 00	10 00	63 00
*393	Forest	Chesley	111 00	3 00	111 00
394	King Solomon	Thamesford	195 00	57 00	81 00
*395	Parvaim	Comber	138 00	101 00	138 00
396	Cedar	Warton	291 00	.....	128 00
*397	Leopold	Brigden	189 00	126 00	189 00
398	Victoria	Kirkfield	108 00	28 05	61 05
*399	Moffat	Harrietsville	63 00	33 00	63 00
400	Oakville	Oakville	357 00	122 50	294 36
*401	Craig	Deseronto	168 00	121 00	168 00
*402	Central	Essex	171 00	125 00	171 00
*403	Windsor	Windsor	513 00	58 00	758 00
*404	Lorne	Famworth	114 00	.....	155 00
*405	Mattawa	Mattawa	267 00	.....	297 25
*406	Spry	Fenelon Falls	171 00	.....	171 00
*408	Murray	Beaverton	138 00	.....	138 00
*409	Golden Rule	Gravenhurst	177 00	18 00	177 00
*410	Zeta	Toronto	480 00	.....	552 00
411	Rodney	Rodney	90 00	.....	3 00
*412	Keystone	Sault Ste Marie	588 00	.....	588 00
413	Naphtali	Tilbury	309 00	16 50	17 50
*414	Pequonga	Kenora	300 00	.....	400 00
415	Fort William	Fort William	261 00	35 95	88 95
416	Lyn	Lyn	111 00	.....	46 00
417	Keewatin	Keewatin	180 00	65 00	125 00
418	Maxville	Maxville	210 00	.....	.....
419	Bismarck	Point Edward	261 00	5 00	47 00
*420	Nipissing	North Bay	330 00	.....	330 25
*421	Scott	Grand Valley	246 00	56 00	246 00
422	Star of the East	Bothwell	132 00	15 00	15 00
*423	Strong	Sundridge	159 00		159 00

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424	Doric	Pickering	114 00	50 00	67 00
425	St. Clair	Sombra	180 00	32 00	55 00
*426	Stanley	Toronto	651 00	390 00	654 00
*427	Nickel	Sudbury	378 00	.....	467 00
*428	Fidelity	Port Perry	252 00	.....	252 00
429	Port Elgin	Port Elgin	150 00	.....	26 00
*430	Acacia	Toronto	342 00	261 75	342 00
431	Moravian	Eden Grove	144 00	72 00	72 00
*432	Hanover	Hanover	141 00	64 00	141 00
*433	Bonnechere	Eganville	132 00	.....	144 00
*434	Algonquin	Emsdale	159 00	.....	159 00
*435	Havelock	Havelock	228 00	.....	228 00
436	Burns	Hepworth	105 00	35 00	35 00
*437	Tuscan	Sarnia	303 00	.....	303 00
*438	Harmony	Toronto	747 00	231 00	747 00
439	Alexandria	Alexandria	135 00	23 00	23 00
*440	Arcadia	Minden	132 00	.....	163 50
*441	Westport	Westport	105 00	85 00	105 00
*442	Dyment	Thessalon	204 00	.....	209 50
443	Powassan	Powassan	108 00	40 00	66 00
444	Nitetis	Creemore	141 00	50 00	75 00
*445	Lake of the Woods	Kenora	87 00	87 00	87 00
*446	Granite	Fort Francis	159 00	8 75	159 00
*447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	138 00	10 00	148 00
448	Xenophon	Wheatley	141 00	.....	9 00
449	Dundalk	Dundalk	84 00	7 00	65 52
450	Hawkesbury	Hawkesbury	147 00	10 00	28 00
451	Somerville	Kinmount	165 00	36 00	128 00
452	Avonmore	Avonmore	93 00	.....	43 00
*453	Royal	Fort William	138 00	.....	138 00
*454	Corona	Burk's Falls	96 00	6 00	96 00
*455	Doric	Little Current	195 00	.....	215 00
*456	Elma	Monkton	96 00	.....	96 00
*457	Century	Merlin	39 00	5 00	40 00
*458	Wales	Wales	141 00	.....	141 00
*459	Cobden	Cobden	111 00	55 00	111 00
*460	Rideau	Seeley's Bay	105 00	65 00	105 00
*461	Ionic	Rainy River	93 00	.....	172 00
*462	Temiscaming	New Liskeard	96 00	28 12	124 62
*463	North Entrance	Haliburton	81 00	3 00	109 00
*464	King Edward	Sunderland	102 00	85 00	102 00
*465	Carleton	Carp	63 00	38 00	63 00
*466	Coronation	Elmvale	81 00	.....	106 00
467	Tottenham	Tottenham	39 00	..	15 00
*468	Peel	Caledon East	63 00	9 00	63 00
*469	Algoma	Sault Ste Marie	66 00	.....	192 00
*470	Victoria	Victoria Harbor	42 00		106 00
*471	King Edward VII	Chippawa			106 00
*472	Gore Bay	Gore Bay			48 00

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*473	Beaches	Toronto		60 00	100 00
*474	Victoria.....	Toronto			182 00
*475	Dundurn	Hamilton		100 00	100 00
*476	Corinthian	North Gower . . . . .	.....	.....	21 00
*477	Harding	Woodville . . . . .	.....	20 00	68 00
478	Milverton	Milverton . . . . .	.....	.....	.....
*479	Russell	Russell . . . . .	.....	43 00	59 00
480	Williamsburg	North Williamsburg	.....	.....	.....
*481	Corinthian	Toronto	126 00	.....	174 00
*482	Bancroft	Bancroft . . . . .	.....	22 00	22 00
*483	Granton	Granton . . . . .	.....	28 00	28 00
*484	Golden Star	Dryden . . . . .	.....	.....	79 00
*485	Haileybury	Haileybury . . . . .	.....	.....	125 00
*486	Silver	Cobalt . . . . .	.....	50 00	100 00
*487	Penewobikong	Blind River . . . . .	.....	.....	84 75
488	King Edward	Harrow . . . . .	.....	.....	.....
*489	Osiris	Smith's Falls . . . . .	.....	.....	50 00
490	Hiram	Markdale . . . . .	.....	.....	.....
491	Cardinal	Cardinal . . . . .	.....	.....	.....
492	Karnak	Coldwater . . . . .	.....	.....	.....
*493	St. Mary's	St. Mary's . . . . .	.....	72 00	72 00
*494	Riverdale	Toronto . . . . .	.....	15 00	69 00
495	Electric	Hamilton . . . . .	.....	.....	.....
496	University	Toronto.....	.....	.....	.....
*U.D.	St. Andrew's	Arden . . . . .	.....	3 00	6 00
U.D.	King George V.	Coboconk . . . . .	.....	.....	.....
	"F. L. E." special,	Hamilton District..	.....	11 00	11 00
	Sundry Contributions	.....	.....	.....	177 83
			\$ 98,247 00	\$22,476 82	\$90,327 50

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

Revenue Account, Year Ending May 31st, 1911.

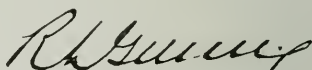
RECEIPTS.

Balance at credit May 31st, 1910.	\$ 161 06
Interest on Investments:	
Toronto General Trusts Corporation	\$119 84
Berlin, Town of, debentures	70 92
Brandon, City of, debentures.....	\$100 00
Calgary, City of, debentures	180 00
East Toronto, Town of, debentures	81 76
Galt, Town of, debentures	80 00
Ingersoll, Town of, debentures	40 00
Kincardine, Town of, debentures	50 00
North Vancouver, District of, debentures	135 00
Oshawa, Town of, debentures	237 24
Ottawa, City of, debentures	580 00
Owen Sound, Town of, debentures	145 00
Peterborough, City of, debentures	230 67
St. Catharines, City of, debentures	212 80
Saltfleet, Township of, debentures	200 00
Sault Ste. Marie, Town of, debentures	90 00
Seaforth, Town of, debentures	200 00
Toronto, City of, debentures	175 00
Woodstock, City of, debentures	180 00
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, dividend..	5 00
Canadian Bank of Commerce, interest .. .	101 45
Transferred from Capital Account	3,214 68
Cheque No. 197 cancelled, unused grant, 1910	2,173 80
	75 00
	\$5,624 54

DISBURSEMENTS.

Accrued Interest on Debentures at date of purchase.	
Oakville, Town of	\$ 14 18
Peterborough, City of	20 22
St. Thomas, City of	11 34
Windsor, City of	16 40
	62 14
Grants for Benevolence	3,920 00
Balance at credit, 31st May, 1911	1,642 40
	\$5,624 54

Hamilton, June 15th, 1911.



Grand Secretary.

Certified to as being correct.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

June 20th, 1911.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Supplementary List of Contributions from
June 1st, 1911 to July 20th, 1911

No.	Lodge	Location	Amount
* 2	Niagara	Niagara	\$ 15 00
* 9	Union	Napanee	82 00
* 10	Norfolk	Simcoe	3 00
17	St. John's	Cobourg	75 00
18	Prince Edward	Picton	13 00
21a	St. John's	Vankleek Hill	57 00
41	St. George's	Kingsville	20 00
* 48	Madoc	Madoc	211 00
55	Merrickville	Merrickville	16 50
64	Kilwinning	London	76 00
69	Stirling	Stirling	13 50
* 77	Faithful Brethren	Lindsay	9 00
* 78	King Hiram	Tillsonburg	84 00
84	Clinton	Clinton	11 00
* 85	Rising Sun	Athens	130 00
* 97	Sharon	Queensville	18 00
* 98	True Blue	Bolton	126 50
*114	Hope	Port Hope	100 17
120	Warren	Fingal	6 00
127	Franck	Frankford	3 00
*136	Richardson	Stouffville	17 00
149	Erie	Port Dover	23 00
154	Irving	Lucan	19 50
*156	York	North Toronto	126 00
*161	Percy	Warkworth	165 00
*170	Britannia	Seaforth	26 50
171	Prince of Wales	Lawrence Station	131 00
178	Plattsville	Plattsville	6 00
181	Oriental	Port Burwell	27 00
190	Belmont	Belmont	75 50
205	New Dominion	New Hamburg	4 00
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	42 00
*215	Lake	Ameliasburg	12 00
*232	Cameron	Dutton	85 00
233	Doric	Parkhill	50 00
*237	Vienna	Vienna	64 50
238	Havelock	Watford	50 00
250	Thistle	Embro	3 00
*259	Springfield	Springfield	3 00
262	Harriston	Harriston	55 00
*264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	9 66
272	Seymour	Ancaster	46 00
274	Kent	Blenheim	14 00
*289	Doric	Lobo	80 00
320	Chesterville	Chesterville	40 00
327	Hammond	Wardsville	12 00
330	Corinthian	London	15 00
*333	Prince Arthur	Flesherton	19 00

*341	Bruce	Tiverton	84 00
*343	Georgian	Toronto	65 75
*352	Granite	Parry Sound	34 00
368	Salem	Brockville	61 00
370	Harmony	Delta	1 00
380	Union	London	7 00
383	Henderson	Winchester	49 00
392	Huron	Camlachie	22 50
398	Victoria	Kirkfield	5 00
400	Oakville	Oakville	15 50
415	Fort William	Fort William	50 00
*416	Lyn	Lyn	65 00
418	Maxville	Maxville	30 00
419	Bismark	Point Edward	24 00
422	Star of the East	Bothwell	6 00
*424	Doric	Pickering	47 00
*429	Port Elgin	Port Elgin	124 00
431	Moravian	Eden Grove	24 00
*449	Dundalk	Dundalk	18 48
*451	Somerville	Kinmount	37 00
452	Avenmore	Avenmore	6 00
*463	North Entrance	Haliburton	3 00
*482	Bancroft	Bancroft	20 00
*498	King George V.	Coboconk	16 00
			\$3,105 96

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Upon nomination by their respective Grand Masters, the following brethren have been appointed by the Grand Master to represent this Grand Lodge near their own Grand Bodies, viz.:

W. Bro. Wm. W. Brandon, Tuscaloosa, Grand Lodge of Alabama.

W. Bro. Orin A. H. Brace, Creighton, Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

WARRANTS.

In compliance with the resolution of Grand Lodge at the last Annual Communication, warrants have been granted to:

Cardinal Lodge No. 491, Cardinal.

Karnak Lodge, No. 492, Coldwater.

St. Mary's Lodge, No. 493, St. Mary's.

Riverdale Lodge No. 494, Toronto.

Electric Lodge No. 495, Hamilton.

University Lodge No. 496, Toronto.

DISPENSATIONS.

Dispensations have been continued from the previous year to St. Andrew's Lodge, Arden, and King George V. Lodge, Coboconk.

CONSECRATIONS.

The following Lodges have been constituted and consecrated, viz.:

Karnak Lodge No. 492, Coldwater, by R.W. Bro. Geo. E. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Friday, September 2nd, 1910.

Cardinal Lodge, No. 491, Cardinal, by R.W. Bro. H. C. Jones, D.D.G.M., on Friday, September 9th, 1910.

Riverdale Lodge, No. 494, Toronto, by R.W. Bro. R.W. Brennen, D.D.G.M., on Friday, September 30th, 1910.

University Lodge, No. 496, Toronto, by M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on Wednesday, October 12th, 1910.

Electric Lodge, No. 495, Hamilton, by M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on Wednesday, October 19th, 1910.

St. Mary's Lodge, No. 493, St. Mary's, by R.W. Bro. J. Malcolm, P.D.D.G.M., on Monday, October 24th, 1910.

DEDICATIONS.

The following Lodges have been dedicated during the year, viz.:

Erie District, No. 1.

Hammond Lodge, No. 327, Wardsville, by R. W. Bro. F. D. Laurie, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, January 10th, 1911.

Highgate Lodge, No. 336, Highgate, by R. W. Bro. F. D. Laurie, D.D.G.M., on Friday, January 13th, 1911.

St. Clair District No. 2.

* Alexandra Lodge No. 158, Oil Springs, by R.W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, September 22nd, 1910.

Beaver Lodge, No. 83, Strathroy, by M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on Monday, May 1st, 1911.

London District No. 3.

Mount Olivet Lodge No. 300, Thorndale, by R.W. Bro. J. C. Spencer, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, March 14th, 1911.

South Huron District No. 4

St. Mary's Lodge, No. 493, St. Mary's, by R.W. Bro. James Malcolm, P.D.D.G.M., on Monday, October 24th, 1910.

Tecumseh Lodge, No. 144, and Stratford Lodge, No. 332, Stratford, by M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on Tuesday, December 27th, 1910.

Wilmott Lodge, No. 318, Baden, by R. W. Bro. F. Holwell, D.D.G.M., on Friday June 30th, 1911.

North Huron District, No. 5.

Forest Lodge, No. 393, Chesley, by R.W. Bro. Jas. Burns, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, May 11th, 1911.

St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 131, Southampton, by R. W. Bro. James Burns, D.D.G.M., on Friday, May 12th, 1911.

St. John's Lodge, No. 284, Brussels, by R.W. Bro. James Burns, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, May 24th, 1911.

Wilson District, No. 6.

Oriental Lodge, No. 181, Port Burwell, by R.W. Bro. George Naylor, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, November 15th, 1910.

Plattsville, No. 178, Plattsville, by R.W. Bro. George Naylor, D.D.G.M. on Friday, December 16th, 1910.

Burford Lodge, No. 106, Burford, by R.W. Bro. George Naylor, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, January 11th, 1911.

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Vienna Lodge, No. 237, Vienna, by R.W. Bro. George Naylor, D.D.G.M., on Friday, February 10th, 1911.

Frederick Lodge, No. 217, Delhi, by R.W. Bro. George Naylor, D.D.G.M., on Monday, February 13th, 1911.

St. John's Lodge, No. 82, Paris, by R.W. Bro. George Naylor, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, February 14th, 1911.

Scotland Lodge, No. 193, Scotland, by R.W. Bro. George Naylor, D.D.G.M., on Monday, March 13th, 1911.

St. John's Lodge, No. 104, Norwich, by R.W. Bro. George Naylor, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, March 15th, 1911.

Blenheim Lodge, No. 108, Princeton, by R.W. Bro. George Naylor, D.D.G.M., on Friday, April 14th, 1911.

Erie Lodge, No. 149, Port Dover, by R.W. Bro. George Naylor, D.D.G.M., on Monday, May 8th, 1911.

Wellington District No. 7.

Conestogo Lodge, No. 295, Drayton, by R.W. Bro. James Ireland, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, November 1st, 1910.

Grand River Lodge, No. 151, Berlin, by M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on Tuesday, November 8th, 1910.

Wellington Lodge, No. 271, Erin, by R. W. Bro. James Ireland, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, January 11th, 1911.

Hamilton District, No. 8.

Brant Lodge, No. 45, and Doric Lodge, No. 121, Brantford, by M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on Wednesday, January 18th, 1911.

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 62, Caledonia, by R.W. Bro. G. R. Lloyd, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, February 8th, 1911.

Valley Lodge, No. 100, Dundas, by R.W. Bro. G. R. Lloyd, D.D.G.M., on Monday, April 10th, 1911.

Walker Lodge, No. 321, Acton, by R.W. Bro. G. R. Lloyd, D.D.G.M., on Monday, May 8th, 1911.

Dufferin Lodge, No. 291, W. Flamboro', by R.W. Bro. G. R. Lloyd, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, May 11th, 1911.

Georgian District, No. 9.

Karnak Lodge, No. 492, Coldwater, by M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on Friday, September 2nd, 1910.

Lorne Lodge No. 377, Shelburne, by R.W. Bro. George E. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, February 14th, 1911.

Prince Arthur Lodge, No. 333, Flesherton, by R. W. Bro. George E. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, February 16th, 1911.

Manitoba Lodge, No. 236, Cookstown, by R.W. Bro. George E. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, March 14th, 1911.

Minerva Lodge, No. 304, Stroud, by R.W. Bro. George E. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, May 16th, 1911.

Northern Light Lodge, No. 266, Stayner, by R.W. Bro. George E. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Monday, May 29th, 1911.

Beaver Lodge, No. 234, Clarksburg, by R.W. Bro. George E. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, May 30th, 1911.

Nititis Lodge, No. 444, Creemore, by R.W. Bro. George E. J. Brown, on Wednesday, May 31st, 1911.

Toronto West District No. 11.

Stanley Lodge No. 426 and Victoria Lodge No. 474, Toronto, by M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on Tuesday, December 6th, 1910.

Robertson Lodge, No. 292, King, by R.W. Bro. A. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Monday, March 13th, 1911.

Vaughan Lodge, No. 54, Maple, by R.W. Bro. A. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, March 14th, 1911.

Mimico Lodge No. 369, Lambton Mills, by R.W. Bro. A. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, April 11th, 1911.

Ashlar Lodge, No. 247; Corinthian, No. 481, and University, No. 496, Toronto, by R.W. Bro. A. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, April 25th, 1911.

River Park Lodge, No. 356, Streetsville, by R.W. Bro. A. J. Brown, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, May 9th, 1911.

Toronto East District, No. 11a.

Riverdale Lodge, No. 494, Toronto, by R.W. Bro. R. W. Brennen D.D.G.M., on Friday, September 30th, 1910.

Zeredatha Lodge, No. 220, Uxbridge, by R.W. Bro. R. W. Brennen, D.D.G.M., on Friday, November 18th, 1910.

Brougham Union Lodge, No. 269, Claremont, by R. W. Bro. R. W. Brennen, D.D.G.M., on Friday, November 25th, 1910.

Richardson Lodge, No. 136, Stouffville, by R.W. Bro. R. W. Brennen, D.D.G.M., on Friday, December 16th, 1910.

Brock Lodge, No. 354, Cannington, by R.W. Bro. R. W. Brennen, D.D.G.M., on Friday, January 20th, 1911.

Markham Union Lodge, No. 87, Markham, by R. W. Bro. R. W. Brennen, D.D.G.M., on Friday, February 10th, 1911.

Doric Lodge, No. 424, Pickering, by R.W. Bro. R. W. Brennen, D.D.G.M., on Friday, February 17th, 1911.

Rising Sun Lodge, No. 129, Aurora, by R. W. Bro. R. W. Brennen, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, June 7th, 1911.

Ontario District, No. 12

Composite Lodge, No. 30, Whitby, by M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on Thursday, March 16th, 1911.

Prince Edward District, No. 13.

United Lodge, No. 29, Brighton, by R.W. Bro. H. H. Post, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, February 7th, 1911.

Prince Edward Lodge, No. 18, Picton, by R. W. Bro. H. H. Post, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, February 21st, 1911.

Moirs Lodge, No. 11, Belleville Lodge, No. 123 and Eureka Lodge, No. 283, Belleville, by R. W. Bro. H. H. Post, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, March 8th, 1911.

Trent Lodge, No. 38, Trenton, by R.W. Bro. H. H. Post, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, April 11th, 1911.

Colborne Lodge, No. 91, Colborne, by M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on Monday, May 29th, 1911.

Bancroft Lodge, No. 482, Bancroft, by R.W. Bro. H. H. Post, D.D.G.M., on Friday, June 16th, 1911.

Golden Rule Lodge, No. 126, Campbellford, by R. W. Bro. H. H. Post, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, June 21st, 1911.

Percy Lodge, No. 161, Warkworth, by R.W. Bro. H. H. Post, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, June 22nd, 1911.

St. Lawrence District, No. 15.

Lansdowne Lodge, No. 387, Lansdowne, by R.W. Bro. Thomas Dowell, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, February 9th, 1911.

Mt. Zion Lodge, No. 28, Kemptonville, by R.W. Bro. Thomas Dowell, D.D.G.M., on Friday, February 10th, 1911.

Rising Sun Lodge, No. 85, Athens, by R.W. Bro. Thomas Dowell, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, March 9th, 1911.

Lyn Lodge, No. 416, Lyn, by R.W. Bro. Thomas Dowell, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, March 14th, 1911.

Sussex Lodge No. 5, and Salem Lodge, No. 268, Brockville, by R.W. Bro. Thomas Dowell, D.D.G.M., on Monday, April 10th, 1911.

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St. James' Lodge, No. 74, S. Augusta, by R.W. Bro. Thomas Dowell, D.D.G.M., on Monday, April 17th, 1911.

Ottawa District, No. 16

Mississippi Lodge, No. 147, Almonte, by R W. Bro. W. M. Ross, D.D.G.M., on Friday, December 2nd, 1910.

Algoma District, No. 17

Shuniah Lodge, No. 287, Port Arthur, by R.W. Bro. D H. Currie, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, March 7th, 1911.

Nipissing District, No. 18.

Silver Lodge, No. 486, Cobalt, by R.W. Bro. F. W. Haynes, D.D.G.M., on Monday, March 6th, 1911.

Muskoka District, No. 19

Corona Lodge, No. 454, Burk's Falls, by R. W. Bro. J. W. Harris, D.D.G.M., on Friday, March 10th, 1911.

Otonabee District, No. 20.

Jerusalem Lodge No. 31, Bowmanville, by M.W. Bro. J. E. Harding, Past Grand Master, on Wednesday, February 8th, 1911.

Norwood Lodge, No. 223, Norwood, by M.W. Bro. J. E. Harding, Past Grand Master, on Friday, May 12th, 1911.

Eastern District, No. 21.

Cardinal Lodge, No. 491, Cardinal, by R.W. Bro. H. C. Jones, D.D.G.M., on Friday, September 9th, 1910.

Henderson Lodge, No. 383, Winchester, by R.W. Bro. H. C. Jones, D.D.G.M., on Friday, March 10th, 1911.

St. John's Lodge, No. 21a, Vankleek Hill, by R. W. Bro. H. C. Jones, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, March 14th, 1911.

CORNER STONES.

Corner Stones have been laid with Masonic Ceremonies as follows:

St. Thomas (Anglican) Church, Walkerton, by the M.W. the Grand Master on Tuesday, August 9th, 1910.

St. Matthias (Anglican) Church, Coldwater, by the M.W. the Grand Master, on Friday, September 2nd, 1910.

Masonic Temple, corner College and Markham Streets, Toronto, by the M.W. the Grand Master, on Saturday, September 17th, 1910.

Masonic Temple, Cobalt, by the M.W. the Grand Master, on Wednesday, September 28th, 1910.

Organ Chamber, St. John's (Anglican) Church, Thorold, by the M.W. the Grand Master on Saturday, October 1st, 1910.

Masonic Temple, Carleton Place, by the M.W. the Grand Master on Friday, April 28th, 1911.

Masonic Temple, Caledon East, by the M.W. the Grand Master on Friday, May 19th, 1911.

Young Men's Christian Association Building, Belleville, by the M.W. the Grand Master, on Thursday, June 22nd, 1911.

BY-LAWS CONFIRMED BY THE M. W. THE
GRAND MASTER

	Date	No.	Lodge	Location
1910	July 23—	426	Stanley ..	Toronto.
"	Aug. 3—	72	Alma	Galt.
"	Oct. 6—	418	Maxville ..	Maxville.
"	Nov. 17—	494	Riverdale ..	Toronto.
"	Nov. 18—	487	Penewobikong ..	Blind River.
"	Nov. 25—	148	Civil Service ..	Ottawa.
"	Dec. 17—	245	Tecumseh ..	Thamesville
"	Dec. 17—	491	Cardinal ..	Cardinal.
1911	Jan. 5—	496	University ..	Toronto.
"	Feb. 11—	131	St. Lawrence ..	Southampton
"	Mar. 21—	76	Oxford ..	Woodstock.
"	Mar. 22—	475	Dundurn ..	Hamilton.
"	Mar. 25—	180	Tecumseh ..	Guelph.
"	Apr. 7—	231	Parthenon ..	Ottawa.
"	Apr. 8—	144	St. George ..	Stratford.
"	Apr. 27—	267	Speed ..	Chatham.
"	May 26—	367	Lodge of Fidelity.....	Toronto.
"	June 23—	15	St. George ..	St. Catharines.

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS CONFIRMED BY THE M. W.
THE GRAND MASTER

	Date	No.	Lodge	Location
1910	July 9—	302	St. Davids ..	St. Thomas
"	July 13—	209a	St. John's ..	London.
"	July 29—	46	Wellington ..	Chatham.
"	Sept. 15—	43	King Solomon's.....	Woodstock.
"	Oct. 3—	22	King Solomon's.....	Toronto.
"	Oct. 14—	243	St. George ..	St. George.
"	Oct. 24—	156	York ..	N. Toronto.
"	Oct. 29—	328	Ionic ..	Napier.
"	Nov. 4—	165	Burlington ..	Burlington.
"	Nov. 15—	446	Granite ..	Fort Frances.
"	Nov. 21—	46	Wellington ..	Chatham.
"	Nov. 25—	430	Acacia ..	Toronto.
"	Dec. 1—	270	Cedar	Oshawa.
"	Dec. 8—	6	Barton ..	Hamilton.
"	Dec. 20—	263	Forest	Forest.
"	Dec. 20—	68	St. John's ..	Ingersoll.
"	Dec. 31—	223	Norwood ..	Norwood.
1911	Jan. 16—	234	Beaver ..	Clarksburg.
"	Jan. 16—	258	Guelph ..	Guelph.
"	Jan. 17—	384	Alpha ..	Toronto.
"	Jan. 18—	46	Wellington ..	Chatham.
"	Jan. 18—	420	Nipissing ..	North Bay.
"	Jan. 19—	485	Haileybury ..	Haileybury.
"	Jan. 20—	427	Nickel....	Sudbury.
"	Jan. 20—	52	Dalhousie ..	Ottawa.
"	Jan. 24—	324	Temple ..	Hamilton.
"	Feb. 13—	373	Copestone ..	Welland.
"	Feb. 16—	126	Golden Rule ..	Campbellford.
"	Mar. 11—	37	King Hiram ..	Ingersoll.
"	Mar. 20—	220	Zeredatha	Uxbridge.
"	Apr. 5—	18	Prince Edward ..	Picton.
"	Apr. 5—	305	Humber ..	Weston.
"	Apr. 7—	440	Arcadia ..	Minden.
"	Apr. 24—	44	St. Thomas ..	St. Thomas.
"	May 6—	264	Chaudiere ..	Ottawa.
"	May 6—	115	Ivy ..	Beamsville.
"	May 23—	473	The Beaches ..	Toronto.
"	May 23—	140	Malahide ..	Aylmer.
"	May 23—	400	Oakville ..	Oakville.
"	June 1—	79	Simcoe ..	Bradford.
"	June 6—	104	St. John's ..	Norwich.
"	June 20—	171	Prince of Wales.....	Lawrence Station.
"	June 26—	220	Zeredatha ..	Uxbridge.
"	June 30—	274	Kent ..	Blenheim.

LIST OF DISPENSATIONS ISSUED.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
1910				
July 7	186	Plantagenet	Plantagenet	Divine Service.
" 8	65	Rehoboam	Toronto	To hold excursion.
" 11	466	Coronation	Elmvale	Divine Service.
" 11	491	Cardinal	Cardinal	Divine Service.
" 13	477	Harding	Woodville	Divine Service.
" 18	467	Tottenham	Tottenham	Divine Service.
" 27	69	Stirling	Stirling	Divine Service.
" 27	468	Peel	Caledon East	To install.
Aug. 5	304	Minerva	Stroud	To initiate.
" 10	193	Scotland	Scotland	Divine Service.
" 10	196	Madawaska	Arnprior	Divine Service.
" 15	242	Macoy	Mallorytown	To hold excursion.
" 19	192	Orillia	Orillia	To initiate.
" 19	264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	To confer degree within time.
" 19	118	Union	Schomberg	To confer degree within time.
" 24	203	Irvine	Elora	Divine Service.
" 29	486	Silver	Cobalt	To elect officers.
Sept. 19	126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	Divine Service.
" 19	485	Haileybury	Haileybury	Lodge of Instruction.
" 19	35	St. John's	Cayuga	Divine Service.
" 19	57	Harmony	Binbrook	To hold a concert.
" 19	344	Merrill	Dorchester	Divine Service.
" 19	61	Acacia	Hamilton	To hold a picnic.
" 19	237	Vienna	Vienna	Divine Service.
" 19	164	Star in East	Wellington	Divine Service.
" 19	153	Burns	Wyoming	Divine Service.
" 21	357	Waterdown	Millgrove	Divine Service.
" 21	473	The Beaches	Toronto	At home
" 22	34	Thistle	Amherstburg	Divine Service.
" 22	136	Richardson	Stouffville	Divine Service.
" 23	272	Seymour	Ancaster	Divine Service.
" 29	154	Irving	Lucan	At Home.
Oct. 8	100	Valley	Dundas	Divine Service.
" 11	434	Algonquin	Elmsdale	To initiate.
" 15	343	Georgina	Toronto	To hold special meeting.
" 19	464	King Edward	Sunderland	Divine Service.
" 20	412	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie..	Banquet.
" 20	65	Rehoboam	Toronto	Change hr. of meet.
" 20	U.D.	King George V. . . .	Coboconk	At Home.
" 24	384	Alpha	Toronto	Change hr. of meet.
" 24	283	Eureka	Belleville	To elect officers.

DISPENSATIONS—CONTINUED.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
" 27	197	Saugeen	Walkerton	Lodge of Instruc'n
" 27	405	Mattawa	Mattawa	To initiate.
Nov. 3	384	Alpha	Toronto	To visit.
" 3	247	Ashlar	Toronto	Change hr. of meet.
" 9	336	McColl	West Lorne	Divine Service.
" 11	44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	At Home.
" 12	140	Malahide	Aylmer	To initiate.
" 14	368	Salem	Brockville	At Home.
" 15	302	St. David's	St. Thomas	At Home.
" 15	195	Tuscan	London	At Home.
" 16	88	St. George's	Owen Sound	Lodge of Instruc'n.
" 25	412	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie..	At Home.
" 28	44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	To initiate.
" 28	128	Pembroke	Pembroke	At Home.
Dec. 3	495	Electric	Hamilton	Divine Service.
" 5	426	Stanley	Toronto	Change hr. of meet.
" 5	438	Harmony	Toronto	Change day of meet.
" 8	372	Palmer	Bridgeburg	Divine Service.
" 9	371	Prince of Wales..	Ottawa	To install.
" 10	3	Anct. St. John's..	Kingston	Divine Service.
" 14	384	Alpha	Toronto	To install.
" 16	63	St. John's	Carleton Place .. .	To install.
" 19	223	Norwood	Norwood	To install.
" 19	47	Great Western .. .	Windsor	To install.
" 20	141	Tudor	Mitchell	To install.
Dec. 20	185	Enniskillen	York	To elect.
" 21	101	Cerinthian	Peterborough	To install.
" 21	16	St. Andrews	Toronto	At Home.
" 22	482	Bancroft	Bancroft	To install.
" 24	433	Bonnechere	Eganville	To install.
" 27	276	Teeswater	Teeswater	To install.
" 30	260	Washington	Petrolia	To install.
" 30	85	Rising Sun	Athens	To install.
" 31	2	Niagara	Niagara	To install.
1911				
Jan 3	195	Tuscan	London	Hold special meet.
" 3	133	Lebanon Forest ..	Exeter	To install.
" 3	92	Cataraqui	Kingston	Hold special meet.
" 4	359	Vittoria	Vittoria	To install.
" 4	46	Wellington	Chatham	Divine Service.
" 4	348	Georgian	Penetang	To install.
" 4	10	Norfolk	Simcoe	To install.
" 5	346	Occident	Toronto	At Home.
" 7	300	Mount Olivet	Thorndale	To elect.
" 11	438	Harmony	Toronto	At Home.
" 11	116	Cassia	Thedford	To initiate.
" 13	394	King Solomon's...	Thamesford	At Home.
" 14	423	Strong	Sundridge	To install.
" 17	369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	At Home.

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DISPENSATIONS—CONTINUED.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
" 17	245	Tecumseh	Thamesville .. .	At Home.
" 18	300	Mt. Olivet	Thorndale	At Home.
" 18	300	Mt. Olivet	Thorndale	To install.
" 18	69	Stirling	Stirling	At Home.
" 19	65	Rehoboam	Toronto	At Home.
" 21	90	Manito	Collingwood .. .	At Home.
" 24	430	Acacia	Toronto	At Home.
" 24	494	Riverdale	Toronto	At Home.
" 24	444	Nitetis	Creemore	At Home.
" 25	442	Dyment	Thessalon	At Home.
" 26	47	Great Western .. .	Windsor	At Home.
" 26	376	Unity	Huntsville	Lodge of Instruc'n.
" 28	144	Tecumseh	Stratford	To initiate.
" 30	125	Cornwall	Cornwall	Lodge of Instruc'n.
Feb. 4	294	Moore	Courtwright .. .	At Home.
" 7	321	Walker	Acton	To confer degree within time.
" 7	321	Walker	Acton	To confer degree within time.
" 7	383	Henderson	Winchester	At Home.
" 8	345	Nilestown	Nilestown	At Home.
" 11	2	Niagara	Niagara	At Home.
" 11	156	York	N. Toronto	At Home.
" 13	332	Stratford	Stratford	At Home.
" 14	378	King Solomon's .. .	London	At Home.
" 14	473	The Beaches	Toronto	Hold special meet
" 14	410	Zeta	Toronto	At Home.
" 14	218	Stevenson	Toronto	At Home.
" 16	402	Central	Essex	At Home.
" 18	180	Speed	Guelph	To confer degree within time.
" 20	486	Silver	Cobalt	At Home.
" 27	488	King Edward	Harrow	Banquet.
" 27	279	New Hope	Hespeler	To initiate.
" 27	249	Caledonian	Midland	Lodge of Instruc'n.
" 27	30	Composite	Whitby	Lodge of Instruc'n.
" 28	20	St. John's	London	At Home.
" 28	153	Burns	Wyoming	Lodge of Instruc'n.
" 28	219	Credit	Georgetown	At Home.
" 28	372	Palmer	Bridgeburg	To visit.
March 4	373	Copestone	Welland	At Home.
" 7	217	Frederick	Delhi	At Home.
" 10	343	Georgina	Toronto	Hold special meet
" 11	444	Nitetis	Creemore	To initiate.
" 15	361	Waverly	Guelph	Lodge of Instruc'n.
" 20	166	Wentworth	Stoney Creek .. .	At Home.
" 21	458	Wales	Wales	To initiate.
" 22	384	Alpha	Toronto	Change hr. of meet.
March 27	321	Walker	Acton	At home

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
" 27	311	Blackwood	Woodbridge	To initiate.
" 30	481	Corinthian	Toronto	Change meet. night
" 31	316	Doric	Toronto	At home
April 1	24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls	At home
" 3	77	Faithful Brethren.	Lindsay	To initiate.
" 3	77	Faithful Brethren.	Lindsay	To initiate.
" 5	369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	Change hr. meet'g.
" 8	141	Tudor	Mitchell	To initiate.
" 8	367	St. George	Toronto	At home
" 13	63	St. John's	Carleton Place	Lodge of Instruc'n.
" 17	61	Acacia	Hamilton	At home
" 19	172	Ayr	Ayr	At home
" 19	65	Rehoboam	Toronto	At home
" 25	287	Shuniah	Port Arthur	At home
" 25	435	Havelock	Havelock	Special meeting.
May 1	253	Minden	Kingston	To receive visit.
" 13	430	Acacia	Toronto	Divine service.
" 13	73	St. James	St. Marys	Divine service.
" 19	472	Gore Bay	Gore Bay	Divine service.
" 20	U.D.	King George V	Coboconk	Divine service.
" 23	6	Barton	Hamilton	Divine service.
" 25	123	Belleville	Belleville	To initiate.
" 27	203	Irvine	Elora	To install.
" 27	385	Spry	Beeton	Divine service.
" 27	352	Granite	Parry Sound	Divine service.
" 29	487	Penewobikong	Blind River	Divine service.
" 29	274	Kent	Elenheim	Divine service.
" 29	282	Lorne	Glencoe	To install.
" 30	405	Mattawa	Mattawa	To decorate graves
June 1	299	Victoria	Centreville	Divine service.
" 2	127	Frank	Frankford	Divine service.
" 2	12	St. John's	Paris	Divine service.
" 2	82	St. John's	Paris	To install.
" 3	47	Great Western	Windsor	Hold an excursion.
" 5	373	Copestone	Welland	Divine Service.
" 5	465	Carleton	Carp	Divine Service.
" 5	31	Jerusalem	Bowmanville	Lodge of Instruc'n
" 6	435	Havelock	Havelock	Divine Service.
" 8	119	Maple Leaf	Bath	Divine Service.
" 8	223	Norwood	Norwood	Divine Service.
" 8	249	Caledonian	Midland	Divine Service.
" 8	258	Guelph	Guelph	To install.
" 9	425	St. Clair	Sombra	Divine Service.
" 9	485	Haileybury	Haileybury	Divine Service.
" 9	420	Nipissing	North Bay	Divine Service.
" 12	313	Clementi	Lakefield	Divine Service.
" 12	287	Shuniah	Port Arthur	Divine Service.
" 12	491	Cardinal	Cardinal	Divine Service.
" 12	56	Victoria	Sarnia	Divine Service.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA DISPENSATIONS—CONTINUED.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose	
"	12	88	St. George's	Owen Sound	To install.
"	12	322	North Star	Owen Sound	Special meeting.
"	12	201	Leeds	Gananoque	Divine Service.
"	12	43	King Solomon's . . .	Woodstock	Special meeting.
"	13	137	Pythagoras	Meaford	Divine Service.
"	13	403	Windsor	Windsor	Divine Service.
"	13	478	Milverton	Milverton	Divine Service.
"	13	476	Corinthian	North Gower	Divine Service.
"	13	422	Star of the East..	Bothwell	To install.
"	13	404	Lorne	Tamworth	Divine Service.
"	13	402	Central	Essex	Divine Service.
"	13	403	Central	Essex	To install.
"	13	395	Parvaim	Comber	To install.
"	13	267	Parthenon	Chatham	Divine Service.
"	14	354	Brock	Cannington	To install.
"	15	302	St. David's	St. Thomas	Divine Service.
"	15	77	Faithful Brethren..	Lindsay	Divine Service.
"	15	396	Cedar	Warton	Divine Service.
June	15	107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	Divine Service.
"	15	254	Clifton	Niagara Falls	Divine Service.
"	15	304	Minerva	Stroud	Divine Service.
"	16	33	Maitland	Goderich	Divine Service.
"	16	322	North Star	Owen Sound	Divine Service.
"	16	338	Dufferin	Wellandport	Divine Service.
"	16	7	Union	Grimsby	To install.
"	16	393	Forest	Chesley	To install.
"	17	328	Ionic	Napier	To install.
"	17	255	Sydenham	Dresden	Divine Service.
"	17	191	Colborne	Colborne	Divine Service.
"	19	447	Sturgeon Falls . . .	Sturgeon Falls	To initiate.
"	19	459	Cobden	Cobden	Divine Service.
"	19	483	Granton	Granton	Divine Service.
"	19	234	Beaver	Clarksburg	Divine Service.
"	19	24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls	Divine Service.
"	19	63	St. John's	Carleton Place	Divine Service.
"	19	239	Tweed	Tweed	Divine Service.
"	19	76	Oxford	Woodstock	Divine Service.
"	19	14	True Britons	Perth	Divine Service.
"	19	32	Amity	Dunnville	Divine Service.
"	19	69	Stirling	Stirling	Divine Service.
"	19	114	Hope	Port Hope	Divine Service.
"	19	143	Friendly Brothers.	Iroquois	Divine Service.
"	19	238	Havelock	Watford	To install.
"	20	368	Salem	Brockville	Divine Service.
"	20	394	King Solomon's . . .	Thamesford	Divine Service.
"	20	194	Petrolia	Petrolia	Divine Service.
"	20	460	Rideau	Seeley's Bay	Divine Service.
"	21	37	King Hiram	Ingersoll	Divine Service.
"	21	41	St. George's	Kingsville	Divine Service.

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
" 21	122	Renfrew	Renfrew	Divine Service.
" 21	133	Lebanon Forest . .	Exeter	Divine Service.
" 21	236	Manitoba	Cookstown	Divine Service.
" 21	312	Pnyx	Wallaceburg	Divine Service.
" 21	441	Westport	Westport	Divine Service.
" 21	484	Golden Star	Dryden	Divine Service.
" 21	444	Nitetic	Creemore	Divine Service.
" 23	128	Pembroke	Pembroke	Divine Service.
" 23	473	The Beaches	Toronto	Divine Service.
" 27	184	Old Light	Lucknow	Divine Service.
" 27	255	Sydenham	Dresden	To install.
" 27	140	Malahide	Aylmer	To initiate.
" 29	354	Nilestown	Nilestown	Divine Service.
" 30	370	Harmony	Delta	To install.

Fraternally submitted,

R. W. White

Grand Secretary.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, and

Resolved, That the reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

The Grand Secretary presented the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by M.W. Bro. A.T. Freed, and

Resolved, That the reports of the District Deputy and Grand Masters be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

ERIE DISTRICT NO. 1.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honor to submit my report upon the condition of Masonry in this district.

I desire to express my appreciation of the high honor conferred upon me by the brethren in electing me to this office, and I take this opportunity to thank them for their kindness and hospitality during my term of office.

Immediately after taking office I addressed letters to the different lodges inquiring as to whether or not their lodge rooms were dedicated, as to whether other lodges met in their lodge rooms or not and what action was being taken regarding the Semicentennial Fund.

The following lodge rooms had not been dedicated:

Highgate Lodge, No. 336. Highgate.

Hammond Lodge, No. 327, Wardsville.

I notified the Grand Secretary and made arrangements to dedicate them on my official visit.

None of our lodge rooms are shared with other than Masonic bodies.

I received promises from each lodge that it would endeavor to collect the full amount expected for the Semicentennial Fund.

I have paid the following official visits:

Thistle Lodge, No. 34, Amherstburg, April 11th, 1911. Wor. Bro. W. F. Jamieson and his officers

conferred the second degree in an impressive and creditable manner. The lodge rooms and appointments are suitable and well kept. This lodge is in a thriving condition.

St. George Lodge, No. 41, Kingsville, February 9th, 1911. The second degree was exemplified by Wor. Bro. D. M. MacIntyre and his officers. The work was well done, also the opening and closing in the first, second and third degrees. The lodge room is large and well furnished and the records are well kept.

Wellington Lodge, No. 46, Chatham, May 10th, 1911. The third degree was ably conferred by Wor. Bro. Sample and his officers. This lodge is in splendid condition and the utmost harmony prevails. The good financial condition of the lodge is largely due to the splendid work of their able secretary, Bro. Gregory, whose books and records are always kept in first class shape.

Great Western Lodge, No. 47, Windsor, April 27th, 1911. The third degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Thompson assisted by an able staff of officers. The work was beautifully done, the musical part being a pleasing feature. This is a very strong lodge, full of enthusiasm, and the books and records are in good condition.

Tecumseh Lodge, No. 245, Thamesville, April 10th, 1911. Wor. Bro. Martin conferred the first degree. The work was very carefully put on. He has an able staff of officers and there is always a good turn out of Past Masters at this lodge, which has three Past Grand Lodge officers in the persons of R. W. Bro. Worth, R. W. Bro. Fraser and the Secretary R. W. Bro. Pye. I wish to especially commend the work of the secretary, to which the lodge is largely indebted for its good financial condition.

On February 15th I attended an At Home at this lodge and I congratulate the officers on the manner in which it was conducted, as it was not only a musical and literary treat, but also instructive and uplifting.

Sydenham Lodge, No. 255, Dresden, April 13th, 1911. On December 24th this lodge suffered a great

loss in the deaths of Wor. Bro. Hicks, and the Senior Warden, Rev. Mr. Long, who lost their lives in an explosion at a fire which destroyed their beautiful lodge rooms and everything in them including the charter and records.

The greatest sympathy of the entire district was felt and expressed for the families of our deceased brothers as well as for Sydenham Lodge.

On April 13th, 1911, I paid my official visit, when the second degree was very ably put on by Wor. Bro. Lindsay and his officers. The lodge has secured temporary quarters and has entered into an agreement to have new lodge rooms built for them which they expect to occupy this fall.

Parthenon Lodge, No. 267, Chatham, April 26th, 1911. Wor. Bro. Martin, assisted by a competent class of officers conferred the third degree. The work was well done. On behalf of the lodge, during the evening, I presented Wor. Bro. Draper, the immediate Past Master, with a gold watch, as a mark of appreciation for the splendid work he had done while filling the Master's chair during the past three years.

Kent Lodge, No. 274, Blenheim, February 27th, 1911. Wor. Bro. M. R. Pardo conferred the second and third degrees. The work was well done. The lodge room and the books and records are a credit to this lodge of enthusiastic and earnest Masons.

Lornê Lodge, No. 282, Glencoe, March 9th, 1911. The Master, Wor. Bro. McEachren, being absent, Wor. Bro. J. E. Laughton exemplified the second degree. The work was done satisfactorily, together with opening and closing in the third degree. I found the books and records neat and well kept.

Leamington Lodge, No. 290, Leamington, May 9th, 1911. Wor. Bro. R. A. Howey conferred the first degree in an impressive manner and the work generally was well done by each officer. The books and records are well kept and the lodge room and ante rooms are large and well furnished.

Pnyx Lodge, No. 312, Wallaceburg, March 13th, 1911. At 4.30 p.m. Wor. Bro. Amos Parker, the

Master of the Lodge, assisted by his officers conferred the first degree in a fairly good manner. They opened and closed the lodge in the second and third degrees. The work of the secretary, Bro. E. E. Parker, is excellent.

In the evening the third degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Musson, of Wellington Lodge No. 46, and Wor. Bro. Pike of Parthenon Lodge, No. 267, assisted by officers of their two Chatham lodges, all of whom were members of the 24th Kent Regiment. The degree was conferred in a beautiful and impressive manner.

Hammond Lodge, No. 327, Wardsville, January 10th, 1911. I conducted the ceremony of dedicating this lodge, assisted by Wor. Bro. Sheldon of St. George Lodge, who also gave a very instructive address on Masonry in general and the Semicentennial Fund in particular. I found the records of the lodge in good order and the lodge affairs being conducted in an eminently satisfactory manner.

Highgate Lodge, No. 336, Highgate, January 13th, 1911. I conducted the ceremony of dedication of this lodge and was very kindly assisted by Wor. Bro. Sheldon of Kingsville, who gave me valuable assistance at a large number of my official visits. This lodge is in a flourishing condition and has a large number of able and enthusiastic Past Masters. They have a beautiful room and affairs of the lodge are well looked after.

McColl Lodge, No. 386, West Lorne, February 7th, 1911. The Worshipful Master and officers conferred the third degree in an impressive and satisfactory manner. After the usual questions were answered, and I had taken up those matters pertaining to my work, a splendid social hour was spent in music and refreshments. We missed R. W. Bro. Milner, who was laid up by an accident at the time of my visit.

Florence Lodge, No. 390, Florence, March 10th, 1911. Wor. Bro. Beatty and the officers of the lodge conferred the first degree in a very pleasing and impressive manner. I found the records well kept and

the attendance good. V. Wor. Bro. Pye kindly accompanied me from Thamesville and gave a very instructive address.

Howard Lodge, No. 391, Ridgetown, February 13th, 1911. The Worshipful Master, James R. Serson, conferred the first degree on two candidates. The charge was beautifully given by Wor. Bro. D. Wilson. The books were well kept and the work was very satisfactory.

Parvaim Lodge, No. 395, Comber, February 10th, 1911. The first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. McDougall in a very satisfactory manner. The books and records are well kept. I found some very enthusiastic Masons at this lodge, and was pleased to meet V. Wor. Bro. Brown, an old and valuable member of the lodge.

Central Lodge, No. 402, Essex, March 8th, 1911. I was delighted with the manner in which the first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Barber. A deep interest was shown in the work and a number of questions were asked and answered. The business of the lodge is well looked after.

Windsor Lodge, No. 403, Windsor, March 24th, 1911. When I paid my official visit to this lodge it was also the occasion of a fraternal visit from the Brethren of Toledo Lodge, Toledo, Ohio. Wor. Bro. Welsh conferred the third degree in excellent style. The business of the lodge is well conducted and the records are in good order.

Rodney Lodge, No. 411, Rodney, January 25th, 1911. The Wor. Master being absent Wor. Bro. Dorlandt conferred the second and third degrees in an able manner. This lodge is not in a flourishing condition at the present time, over one third of the members being two years in arrears. I visited the lodge again on May 10th when this matter was fully discussed. The brethren are grappling with the question and I am satisfied the affairs of the lodge will be put on a different basis at once.

Naphtali Lodge, No. 413, Tilbury, March 14th, 1911. The third degree was exemplified by Wor.

Bro. Jardine in a satisfactory manner. The business of the lodge is well conducted and the records well kept.

Star of the East Lodge, No. 422, Bothwell, December 14, 1910. Wor. Bro. Vincent and officers conferred the third degree in an impressive and creditable manner. The lodge room and appointments are suitable and well kept. The books and accounts are splendidly kept.

Xenophon Lodge, No. 448, Wheatley, December 15th, 1910. Wor. Bro. Scott opened and closed the lodge in the second and third degrees. They had no candidate for initiation so proceeded with the election of officers. The Secretary's work is well looked after by Wor. Bro. Wilson, and all records, etc., were in a satisfactory condition.

Century Lodge, No. 457, Merlin, February 1st, 1911. The second degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Charles Smith in an excellent style. The work of the other officers and the manner in which the books, etc. were kept was very satisfactory.

King Edward Lodge, No. 488, Harrow, April 25th, 1911. The first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. Hassard and the officers of the lodge in a first class manner. The records are well kept and the lodge room is a credit to the lodge.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

On April 4th, 1911, I held a Lodge of Instruction at Chatham under the warrants of Wellington Lodge No. 46 and Parthenon Lodge, No. 267.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master D. F. Macwatt honored us with his presence and gave a forcible and instructive address.

At 3:00 p.m. the first degree was exemplified by Central Lodge, No. 402, Essex.

At 4:30 p.m. the second degree was exemplified by St. George Lodge, No. 41, Kingsville.

At 6:00 p.m. Wellington and Parthenon Lodges entertained the brethren at dinner.

At 8.00 p.m. the third degree was exemplified by Wellington Lodge, No. 46, and Parthenon Lodge, No. 267.

An exemplification of a Board of Trial was given by R. W. Bros. Crumb and Fraser and Wor. Bro. Davidson.

In conclusion I would say that I have taken up all matters mentioned in the circular letter of September 22nd, 1910, addressed to the D.D.G.Ms. by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, so far as time would allow.

I have paid particular attention to the work and the manner in which it is given, that the members and candidates may carry away from our lodge rooms precepts firmly imprinted in their minds which will influence their lives toward the better and higher things that make Masonry a vital and active force for good in our lives.

I have paid particular attention to the Semi-centennial Benevolent Fund and made every effort in my power to forward the good work.

Fraternally submitted,,

F. D. LAURIE, D. D. G. M.,

Erie District No. 1.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT NO. 2.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

In presenting my report on the condition of Masonry in St. Clair District, No. 2, for the past year, I desire first to express my appreciation to the brethren for the high honor they conferred on me in electing me to the high and honorable office of District Deputy Grand Master, and for the many kindnesses shown me throughout the district, while performing my duties.

The appointment of a District Chaplain and Secretary were my earliest official actions. For Chaplain, I selected Rev. Canon Davis, and for Secretary W. Bro. W. T. Goodison, both of Victoria Lodge, No. 56. While the office of Chaplain has not been an onerous one, that of Secretary has been of great assistance to me, and I desire here to thank Bro. Goodison for his valuable services.

I am pleased to be able to report that I have found the district in a very prosperous condition, with an increasing membership and interest in Masonry, and an evident desire on the part of the great majority of officers of the different lodges to perfect themselves in the work.

On the occasions of my visits, when work other than that of the first and second degrees were exemplified, I made diligent inquiry as to whether the Senior and Junior Wardens could give their respective lectures in full and in each case I was satisfied as to their proficiency.

I am sorry to report that eleven lodges in this district have not as yet paid up their full quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund. Nine have paid in full. I took every opportunity at my disposal to bring this laudable undertaking before the notice of the brethren

of lodges who were in arrears, and on nearly every occasion was met with hearty response. In some cases orders were passed by the lodges paying up their quota in full, and with others such action was taken that assured me they will soon complete their full subscriptions to this fund.

DEDICATIONS

By the direction of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, I represented him in the dedication of the lodge rooms of Alexandra Lodge No. 158, Oil Springs, on the evening of September 22nd, thus completing the dedication ceremonies of all the lodges in St. Clair district. I was assisted in the ceremony by the following brethren: R. W. Bros. S. E. Cornell, S McWhorter and A. W. Parks, V. W. Bros. John Boyd, and Dr. Bell, along with several Past Masters from Petrolia, Washington, Leopold and Alexandra Lodges.

On May 1st, also, I accompanied the Grand Master to Strathroy where the new lodge rooms of Beaver Lodge, No. 83, were dedicated by M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master.

VISITS

Leopold Lodge, No. 397, Brigden. I made my first official visit to this lodge on September 14th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Cornell, V. W. Bros. John Boyd and Dr. Bell, W. Bros. W. T. Goodison, W. Barrie, E. A. Mills E. A. McDonald, and Bros. G. Parsons, R. J. Polley, A. B. Johnston, W. Carter, D. Goodall, McIllhagga.

A very pleasing event on that evening was a presentation made by W. Bro. F. R. Leager, on behalf of the members of Leopold Lodge to their honored and retiring Chaplain Bro. Rev. Walter Reid. Bro. Reid was presented with a gold-mounted umbrella by the lodge as a mark of their esteem, and at the same time was asked to be the recipient on behalf of Mrs. Reid, of a similar token of esteem from his brethren. Bro. Reid was entirely taken by surprise and replied, thanking the brethren for their kindness.

The third degree was then conferred by W. Bro. James McDonald and his staff of officers in a very correct manner. I was assured that every effort would be made that the full quota for the Semi-Centennial Fund would soon be subscribed, and I am pleased to report that since my visit the brethren of Leopold have paid their quota in full.

The Secretary, Bro. Chas. C. Watson, has his books in a very creditable shape, and the officers and members are very enthusiastic.

Arkona Lodge, No. 307, Arkona. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge on September 15th, where I received a royal welcome from the very efficient staff of officers, and a goodly number of enthusiastic brethren, among whom I had the pleasure of meeting R. W. Bro. Alex Thoman P.D.D.G.M. of this district. The third degree was exemplified in a most impressive and highly creditable manner by the Worshipful Master Alex M. Thoman, and the officers of this lodge. The books are splendidly kept and the business of the lodge is well looked after. I reminded the brethren of their indebtedness to the Semi-Centennial Fund to which they promised to devote earnest efforts in the future. It is with pleasure that I can include in this report that on the 7th of March I received notice from the Secretary that their S.C.F. quota was paid in full.

Alexandra Lodge, No. 158, Oil Springs. I visited this lodge officially on September 22, after the dedication ceremonies were conducted. A goodly number of the brethren, as well as visiting brethren, were in attendance. W. Bro. J. W. Sutherland, I.P.M., assisted by the officers of the lodge, conferred the second degree, which was exceptionally well done. The books are in the hands of W. Bro. W. S. Duggan, who is a very careful and efficient secretary. In my address, I spoke of the Semi-Centennial Fund, and I was sorry to note that Alexandra lodge appears to be not much interested in the collecting of their quota to this fund. After the meeting an adjournment was made to their banquet room where an hour was spent in a very pleasing way.

Dufferin Lodge, No. 367, Melbourne. This lodge

I visited officially on October 12th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Argue, V. W. Bro. Richardson and W. Bro. Trueman of Beaver Lodge, No. 83. There was a fair attendance of the brethren at this meeting. The Fellow Craft degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Dewar, the Worshipful Master, assisted by only about half of the regular officers of the lodge. The exemplification of this degree was only fair. I found this lodge without any by-laws, and the books also were in an unsatisfactory condition. I was unable to find where any audit had been made for some time. I instructed them to get by-laws and to improve generally in their methods of business. I have so far been unable to learn directly what progress has been made, though I have written several letters.

St. John's Lodge, No. 81, Mount Brydges. On October 18th I made my official visit to this lodge, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Argue and a number of brethren from Strathroy. Owing to the failure of a candidate for the second degree to be present, no degree work was exemplified. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees in a very correct manner by W. Bro. E. R. Bond and officers. St. John's is a very prosperous lodge financially, owning the building in which the lodge rooms are located, and entirely free from any debt. I was pleased to see the brethren pass a motion at this meeting authorizing the proper officers to forward to the Grand Secretary the balance of their full quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund. I am sorry to note that the harmony of the lodge has been affected to some extent, owing to their unfortunate irregularity of the ballot at their meeting of March, last year. But I trust that soon everything will be amicably adjusted, and that perfect harmony may soon prevail. The books of this lodge are in good shape and the business generally well looked after.

Ionic Lodge, No. 328, Napier. I made my visit to this lodge on November 11th, when W. Bro. Clarke worked the second degree in a very creditable manner. Having no candidate, they exemplified the work on a substitute. Although this lodge is small, it is in a very creditable condition. Dues are well paid up and finances good. In reference to the Semi-Centennial

Fund I was advised they were trying to adjust with the Grand Secretary their membership of 1904, claiming Ionic had been assessed on a basis of too high a membership, and that as soon as this adjustment has been made they would send in their full quota at once. I am pleased to report this has been done and that Ionic has paid up in full.

Havelock, No. 238, Watford. My next visit was to this lodge on November 15th, where I received a warm welcome from a goodly number of enthusiastic Masons. The second degree was conferred by W. Bro. McLaren and his various officers in a very creditable and impressive manner. The lodge room is nicely furnished, and well equipped, and perfect harmony prevails amongst the members. In regard to the Semi-Centennial fund, all money each year in the Treasury over \$100.00 is to be applied to the payment of their quota to this fund. W. Bro. Stewart, the secretary, is very efficient, and has the dues well collected, and all books are in a very creditable shape. After the meeting luncheon was served and an hour spent in an enjoyable way. On June 23rd, I had the pleasure of spending another pleasant evening with the brethren of Havelock, when I installed the officers for the ensuing year.

Cassia Lodge, No. 106, Thedford. I made my visit to this lodge January 9th. Although the weather conditions were not the best, there was a fair attendance at this meeting. No regular candidate being present, W. Bro. G. C. Hall and officers exemplified the first degree on a substitute, in a fair manner. A little more practice will set them right. W. Bro. A. J. Grant, Secretary of this lodge, keeps a very neat set of books and sees that dues are kept paid up. As they have a very small balance now to pay to the Semi-Centennial Fund I am sure the full amount will soon be paid. After the lodge was closed the brethren adjourned to the Holwell House where all enjoyed themselves for an hour around the festive board.

Alvinston Lodge, No. 323, Alvinston. I visited this lodge January 11th and found a goodly number of brethren in attendance. R. W. Bro. Martyn was present and added to the pleasure of my visit. W. Bro. Winn and his staff of officers very efficiently ex-

emplified the first degree on a substitute, no regular candidate being present. The rooms of Alvinston lodge are the finest in the district, and the lodge is in a flourishing condition. After the meeting a fourth degree was provided and much enjoyed.

Moore Lodge, No. 294, Courtright. I visited this lodge January 12th, and was well received by the brethren. There was a good attendance, including a number of visitors. W. Bro. C. A. Kent exemplified the first and second degrees in a very efficient and satisfactory manner, being well supported by his officers. This lodge is in good condition with promising prospects. At the close of the lodge a lunch was provided and much enjoyed by all.

Washington Lodge, No. 260, and Petrolia Lodge, No. 194. I visited these lodges on February 1st. They kindly consented to hold a joint meeting for my convenience. Their large and beautifully furnished room was well filled with members and visitors, who gave me an enthusiastic reception. I was accompanied, on this visit by a large number of brethren from Sarnia, including: R.W. Bro. Saunders, W. Bros. Barrie, Parsons, Joss, MacDonald and others.

W. Bro. Lymburner and officers of Washington Lodge conferred a first degree in a faultless manner. It is an extreme pleasure for me to report that at this meeting Washington Lodge passed an order to be drawn on their Treasurer for \$80.00, paying up the balance of their full quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund. W. Bro. John Fraser, the genial Worshipful Master of Petrolia Lodge, then assumed the Gavel and the chair, and with an efficient set of officers, opened and closed the lodge in the first, second and third degrees. The officers and brethren of Petrolia Lodge were disappointed as their candidate for the third degree was unable to be present.

After the lodges were closed a banquet was held at the Hotel Fletcher. The brethren of Petrolia and Washington Lodges have the faculty of making all Masons who come within their walls feel quite at home, and many brethren were present from other lodges, and enjoyed the hospitality for which the genial brethren of Petrolia and Washington Lodges are noted.

Forest Lodge, No. 263, Forest. I visited here on February 8th. The meeting was well attended. Worshipful Master, J. J. Prout and Officers exemplified the second degree. This lodge is thriving and has an excellent set of officers, and, with a little more practice, will be very efficient in their work. The dues are well paid up, and the books are well kept by their worthy secretary, Bro. P. W. Campbell.

Beaver Lodge, No. 83, Strathroy. I made my official visit to this lodge on February 17th, and received a cordial reception from a large number of the brethren. W. Bro. E. E. Sexsmith and Officers very creditably initiated a candidate. This lodge, as has been its good fortune in the past, is well officered for the present year, and is in a very healthy condition and the brethren are very progressive.

They own their own lodge room, which is located in a building which is also owned by the members of the lodge, who have formed a Masonic Trust, The lodge room, which is very commodious and beautifully furnished and finished inside, has adjoining it a large reception and preparation room.

As this meeting was the first held in the new lodge room, it was a pleasure for me to have my official visit marked by such a pleasurable event, and the brethren are to be congratulated. I am satisfied from the assurances I received from the brethren that the balance of their quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund will soon be paid.

I had the pleasure of meeting R. W. Bro. Argue, V. W. Bro. Richardson, and other distinguished Masons, who are members of this lodge. After the meeting lunch was served, and a social hour spent, which was much enjoyed by all.

Huron Lodge, No. 392, Camlachie. I visited this lodge on March 8th, accompanied by a number of Past Masters and other brethren from Sarnia. A first degree was put on in a very creditable manner by W. Bro. Wilkie and his staff of officers. This lodge is in a healthy condition, and I am sorry the brethren have not done what they should regarding the Semi-Centennial Fund, and also that there is no action apparent in this lodge to indicate that their quota will

soon be paid. After the meeting a banquet was furnished, and a couple of hours pleasantly spent.

Burns Lodge, No. 153, Wyoming. The annual lodge of instruction for this district was held under the auspices of Burns Lodge on March 9th. As it was also a regular meeting of the lodge, I made it my official visit as well.

The attendance was particularly gratifying. Representatives were present from eighteen out of twenty lodges in the district. The M.W. the Grand Master honored us with his presence, and was received with that loyal welcome which he deserves. He spoke encouragingly of the excellent work done by the different lodge officers who worked the different degrees at this meeting and delivered a strong and instructive address on the Semi-Centennial Fund.

The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Brown and Officers of Burns Lodge, No. 153; the second degree by W. Bro. Dr. P. W. Winn and Officers of Alvinston Lodge, No. 323, and the third degree by W. Bro. W. F. Cooper and Officers of Washington Lodge, No. 260. The work in all the degrees was about perfect and left a marked impression, not only on the candidates, but upon the brethren present.

Much credit and praise was due the officers and members of Burns lodge for the reception tendered the visiting brethren. Personally, I felt deeply indebted to Burns Lodge for the kind manner in which they looked after the comfort of all.

Bismark Lodge No. 419, Point Edward. I visited this lodge March 13th. Since last communication of Grand Lodge, this lodge has been holding its meetings in the Masonic lodge room at Sarnia, this in accordance with the permission granted them at last Grand Lodge. At this meeting W. Bro. W. J. McCormick and officers exemplified the first degree in a very creditable manner. Afterwards the Semi-Centennial Fund was discussed, and I feel sure that Bismark will pay a good share to their quota this year.

St. Clair Lodge, No. 425, Sombra. On March 14th I visited this lodge. The meeting was largely attended. W. Bro. G. W. Smith, supported by his efficient staff of officers, initiated a candidate in an al-

most faultless manner. This lodge is in splendid condition and a strong feeling of good Masonic fellowship and harmony was in evidence. The brethren of St. Clair Lodge are directing their attention to the Semi-Centennial Fund, and I have no doubts in reporting that their quota will soon be paid. My visit to this lodge was an exceedingly pleasant one, and I was much delighted with the spirit in which the work was done. The books are splendidly kept and the business of the lodge carefully looked after.

Tuscan Lodge, No. 437, Sarnia. My visit to this lodge was on March 15th, on which occasion there was a very large attendance, including many visitors from the sister lodges in this vicinity. This is the baby lodge of St. Clair District, but stands second in membership, and when I say it is enjoying an era of prosperity, I am mildly expressing the progress it has and is at present making. The present Master, W. Bro. MacIllhagga, is a painstaking officer, and is well supported by an excellent set of officers. The work for the evening was a first degree, and was rendered by the Worshipful Master and his officers in an almost faultless manner. I am pleased to report that the financial condition of Tuscan is excellent, and also that the dues are practically all paid up.

Victoria Lodge, No. 56, Sarnia. I visited this, my mother Lodge, officially on April 4th, and was greeted by a very large attendance, including many brethren from Tuscan and Bismark Lodges. It being my duty and always a great pleasure for me to attend its meetings regularly, I have had many opportunities of noting the character of the work done, and of observing the capabilities of the officers. At this meeting W. Bro. Parsons and officers conferred the second degree, almost perfectly. I do not think anyone will accuse me of partiality when I say the work of this lodge always compares favorably with the best working lodges in this district. The progress Victoria Lodge has and is making, is highly satisfactory. It is in good financial condition and perfect harmony prevails.

In conclusion, I wish to return my sincere thanks to the brethren of the district for the very hearty and

welcome manner in which I was received on the occasion of all my visits, and for my successor I bespeak the same cordial assistance as was extended to me, and may Masonry in St. Clair District continue to prosper and grow in the future as it has in the past.

Fraternally submitted,
T. MONGOMERY, D.D.G.M.,
St. Clair District, No. 2.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table shewing the work done in St. Clair District, No. 2, from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

Number of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Mem- bership		Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		Decrease during year		E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Deceased	Meet'gs held			Average attend'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem'rs 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arreages	Date of last G. L. return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance				
			Total	Decrease during year		Total	Decrease during year	Regular	Emergency									Total															
56	Victoria	Sarnia	226	1	1	4	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	..	..	..	213	111	39	75	50	21	346	50	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Excellent	Yes	Joint	
81	St. John's	Mt. Brydges ..	91	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	213	215	15	..	..	18	45	00	July	27, '10	Good	Fair	Yes	1500 00	
83	Beaver	Strathroy ..	119	7	8	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	..	..	13	215	30	85	00	8	225	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Excellent	Yes	1000 00	
116	Cassia	Thedford ..	46	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	110	111	12	..	4	47	00	June	24, '10	Fair	Fair	Yes	700 00	
153	Burus	Wyoming ..	19	9	3	9	8	7	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	..	..	13	316	21	..	6	75	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	1300 00		
158	Alexandra ..	Oil Springs ..	75	10	1	10	4	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	13	720	15	..	6	18	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Good	2	2800 00		
194	Petrolia ..	Petrolia ..	01	11	11	7	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	113	417	20	30	0	3	151	75	Dec.	27, '10	Fair	Good	Yes	226 00	
238	Havelock ..	Watford ..	70	5	6	5	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	..	..	..	211	819	13	..	15	147	25	Dec.	27, '10	Fair	Good	Yes	500 00		
260	Washington ..	Petrolia ..	126	8	3	8	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	12	113	25	..	10	60	00	June	24, '10	Good	Good	Yes	400 00		
263	Forest	Forest ..	86	4	7	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	114	30	15	00	13	3	00	Dec.	31, '10	Fair	Fair	Yes	400 00	
294	Moore	Courtright ..	56	4	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	..	..	..	11	213	15	..	15	59	00	Jan.	14, '11	Good	Good	Yes	None		
307	Arkona	Arkona ..	41	1	2	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	12	214	12	..	7	2	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	200 00		
323	Alvinston ..	Alvinston ..	68	4	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	111	112	18	12	00	7	27	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	600 00	
328	Ionic	Napier ..	24	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	..	..	..	12	12	12	..	6	25	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Yes		
364	Dufferin ..	Melbourne ..	73	3	1	3	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	113	131	17	50	00	20	107	00	Jan.	11	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	
392	Huron	Cantachie ..	57	4	10	3	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	6	..	..	..	113	12	20	..	24	250	00	Dec.	27, '10	Medium	Medium	Yes	100 00		
397	Leopold ..	Bridgen ..	74	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	111	213	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
419	Bismark ..	Pt. Edward ..	74	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	10	12	104	00	Jan.	30, '11	Good	Good	No	2500 00	
425	St. Clair ..	Sombra ..	9	18	5	18	4	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
437	Tuscan ..	Sarnia ..	1	0	10	15	14	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	211	9	20	30	70	00	8	..	..	Jan.	30, '11	O. K.	Good	Yes	Joint

LONDON DISTRICT NO. 3

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

I have the honor to submit this my official report on the condition of Masonry in London District, No. 3. In doing so I feel that in the first place my sincerest thanks should be tendered to the brethren of London District for electing me to this high and honorable office. I have endeavored throughout the year to deserve the confidence so generously placed in me by discharging my duties to the best of my skill and ability, and trust that the brethren will have no cause to regret their choice of a year ago.

I am deeply indebted to the Masters of the lodges of the district, the P.D.D.G.Ms., P.Ms. and brethren who so willnigly gave me their co-operation during my visits. On every occasion I had the utmost kindness shown me by the lodges visited, and a number of the brethren always accompanied me. In this regard I wish to mention R. W. Bro. Wallace, who in all my visits missed attending only four and the help and advice given by him to me during the year I shall never forget.

I have visited each of the twenty-six lodges in my district at least once, some twice, where possible, and am glad to say that the utmost harmony has prevailed throughout. It is with pleasure that I can report that in none of the lodges has the work been poorly done, and while many excel, all are honestly endeavoring to render the ritualistic part of our ceremonies in the proper and impressive manner.

At the outset of the year I had hopes that the full quota of the Semi-Centennial Fund for this district would be fully paid during the year. I regret to say that these hopes have not been realized, but substantial progress has been made, and I trust that the efforts made in its behalf will lead to its early completion.

I appointed Wor. Bro Fred Wright of St. David's Lodge 302, District Secretary, and he rendered me most valuable assistance during the year.

VISITS

On Sept. 1st I paid my first official visit to St. Thomas Lodge, No. 44. W. Bro. Jno. Henning and officers exemplified the third degree in a beautiful manner, enhanced much by the choir. The attendance was very large, many being present from London and outside points. Amongst the visitors were R.W. Bro. R. Guest and W. Bro J. Guest, Thorndale, R W. Bro. Wallace and Wor. Bros. Carleton, Davidson, Gillian, London. The Secretary, R. W. Bro Luke Slater, has been Secretary for many years, and as Masonry is with him a work of love, it will be unnecessary to state that his books are in excellent condition. This lodge, at date of visit had only some thirty dollars to pay to Semi-Centennial Fund to complete its quota, which has since been overpaid by a goodly sum. After the work was finished in the lodge room a lunch was served in the banquet hall, and we all listened with pleasure to a talk on "Minerals in Canada" by Bro. Samuel Price, Commissioner of Mines in Ontario, followed by R. W. Bro. Fred Guest, a member of the Board of Benevolence, in a fine speech on the S.C. Fund, and others.

On Oct. 12th visited Cameron Lodge, 232, Dutton, accompanied by several brethren from St. Thomas. W. Bro. Duncanson and his officers exemplified the first degree in an admirable manner. Bro. Morrison, the Junior Warden gave the Junior Warden's lecture in a way that brought special praise from me. The presence of many visitors from West Lorne, Fingal and Lawrence Station made it an overflow meeting and I am sure a very profitable evening was spent by all. The by-laws have not been amended for many years, and as several important constitutional changes have taken place since their compilation, I recommended new ones. The Secretary, Bro. MacCallum, keeps his books in splendid condition, and had any information asked right to hand. This lodge is in fine financial condition, but I regret to say, is slightly behind with S. C. Fund at the time of sending in my

report. After work was finished in the lodge room, we repaired to the refreshment room, where W. Bro. Roberts presided, and at which the usual toasts and speeches were given, bringing to an end a very enjoyable visit.

Visited Merrill Lodge, 344, Dorchester, on Oct. 13th in company with a number of London brethren. There we were met by brethren from Nilestown, Thamesford and Belmont. Unfortunately there was no degree conferred. The brother who was to present himself for his third degree was unable to attend through sickness. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees by W. Bro. Hunt and his officers, and from the ability displayed, and the vouching of R. W. Bros. O'Neil and Wallace, I am safe in saying Merrill Lodge is in the hands of splendid officers. The examination of the Secretary's books was very satisfactory and proved Bro. Canning a valuable officer. The lodge room is the property of the lodge, which is in a good healthy, financial position. The S. C. Fund has been fully paid during the year, and all things considered the prospects are the best. A table weighted down with good things was set in the lodge room after work was over, and addresses given by R. W. Bros. O'Neil and Wallace and W. Bros. Wade, Dr. Banghardt, Carleton, Morrison and Neeley.

Visited Nilestown Lodge No. 345, Nilestown, on Oct. 18th, a large number of visiting brethren from London and elsewhere took advantage of an ideal night and Nilestown hospitality and were present. I was particularly honored by having no less than five P.D.D.G.Ms. present, viz.: R. Guest, Thorndale; Essery, London; Tancock, London; O'Neil, Thamesford, and Wallace, who is a member of 345. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Carleton and his officers in a manner which left me nothing to say about the work but praise and satisfaction. I wish here to refer to Bro. A. O. Barrows, the Secretary, whose books are kept in a manner which must give satisfaction to his lodge. The dues are well paid up and finances well cared for. The lodge owns its own hall, devoting the whole building to Masonry, the auditorium down stairs making an excellent banquet and entertainment hall. After the work of the even-

ing R. W. Bro. Wallace was presented with a P.D.D.G.M.'s. regalia on behalf of London District, an honor I am sure that all the district will agree was richly merited for his untiring efforts on behalf of Masonry last year. V. W. Bro. Jos. Wilson, who was honored by the M. W. the Grand Master with the appointment of Grand Steward was also presented with a G.S.'s. regalia by Nilestown Lodge. Bro. Wilson was one of the charter members of the lodge at its inception in 1876 and has ever since been an active worker and the guiding star of Christian example and brotherly love. A fine supper, provided by the ladies (the wives and daughters of the members) at which the usual toasts were responded to, brought a splendid evening to a close.

On November 1st I visited Corinthian Lodge, 330, London, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Henry Roe, of St. Thomas. The first degree was exemplified for my inspection, also opening and closing in the three degrees by W. Bro. Whitehead and his officers. Besides W. Bro. Whitehead's exact and impressive work, I wish specially to mention the work done by his Wardens, whose work was most pleasing, the Junior Warden's lecture being given above the average. W. Bro. Bridle, one of the oldest members, gave the constitutional charge in that stirring and impressive way that only comes from years of thought and study. The Secretary, W. Bro. H. C. Simpson, has held that office for many years, and is one of the important factors of Corinthian's success. His books are models of neatness and he keeps that grasp on the work so necessary in the ideal Secretary. There is a balance yet unpaid by this lodge to the Semi-Centennial Fund, which, thanks to the efforts of W. Bro. Whitehead, has reached a comparatively small amount. After the lodge closed a well-prepared banquet was enjoyed and toasts responded to by many eloquent brethren present. R. W. Bro. Essery gave one of his stirring addresses on the benevolent side of the order, and a Past Master from Bombay, India, gave an address on the condition of Masonry in India and other Eastern countries, which we found most entertaining.

On November 3rd I visited St. George's Lodge, No. 42, London. W. Bro. Ottinger exemplified the

third degree, assisted ably by his splendid set of officers. Bro. Ottinger is an excellent ritualist, has a pleasing and impressive delivery, and rendered his work absolutely word perfect. This, aided by the Wardens and Deacons who paid much attention to the detail, made it a decided treat to be present. The East was well filled with Past Masters of St. George's and other city lodges. One of the striking features of Masonry in London is the way in which the brethren interchange visits. Bro. Ellis, the Secretary, is an old Past Master of the lodge, and one of the most efficient secretaries in the district. The books are kept in a way that is a credit to any lodge. The banquet which followed was very enjoyable. During the refreshments an orchestra composed of members of the Craft, treated us to a fine concert, and this, with several vocal selections added greatly to the entertainment. Among the speakers were R. W. Bros. Essery, Wallace and Tancock. Conditions are of the brightest for the success of this lodge.

Visited Belmont Lodge, No. 190, Belmont, on November 11th, accompanied by Bro. T. L. Cochrane of St. Thomas, and was most cordially received by the Belmont brethren. Notwithstanding a snowstorm amounting to a blizzard, the attendance was very large, visitors driving from Nilestown, Dorchester, Lambeth, and a party headed by R. W. Bro Wallace and W. Bro. Carleton drove from London, a distance of some fifteen miles, which I am sure spells enthusiasm in large letters. The first degree was exemplified splendidly for my benefit. W. Bro. Rev. Dr. McCrae, owing no doubt to his experience in ministerial work, was very effective. He was very ably assisted by Bro. Brody, S.W. and Bro. Venning, J.W., whose lecture on the tracing board was very creditable. The Secretary, Bro. Jas. McMillan, keeps his books neatly and well, but the unpaid dues are much too large for a lodge with the number of members Belmont has. A committee, appointed previously, to deal with this matter, reported that these would nearly all be forthcoming at an early date. The lodge owns its own hall, which is well insured. I regret to say there is still a good balance due from this lodge toward the Semi-Centennial Fund, which is really hard to under-

stand, as the brethren are, for the most part, well-to-do farmers, and the soul of hospitality, and I am sure if the necessity of this most worthy contribution were properly explained it would be another story. A supper well worth the discomforts of a long drive, with many bright and witty speeches, brought the evening to a close.

St. Paul's Lodge, 107, Lambeth, was visited by me on Nov. 16th. The D.D.G.Ms. visit to this lodge has gotten to be looked forward to as an annual outing by the brethren of the district, so that on this occasion many visitors were present. There was no degree work. It had been arranged that the third degree was to be given, but the candidate did not appear, which was very disappointing to me as W. Bro. Love and his officers are looked upon as one of the brightest staffs in London District. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees. The Secretary, Bro. Poole, keeps his books carefully, and is a valuable asset to the lodge. The hall belongs to the lodge and is entirely free from debt. There still remains a balance due the Semi-Centennial Fund, but as much has been done towards its payment this year, I look for an early end to the obligation. A splendid banquet was served in the hall beneath the lodge room, at which many speeches, patriotic and otherwise, were delivered.

Visited King Solomon's Lodge, 378, London, on December 8th, and was very cordially received. This being the night of the annual election of officers, no degrees were exemplified. The count of ballots showed 74 members present, and they, with many visitors, made a fine attendance. All of the old officers were advanced a step. The brethren again voiced their appreciation of the sterling worth of Bro. Nicholls, the Secretary, by re-electing him for another year. I was much pleased with the evident harmony and prosperity existing in this lodge. The average attendance throughout the year, has been fifty. This from a membership of less than 200 speaks much for the work and zeal of W. Bro. Wilson and his officers during the year. Another point worth mentioning was the regular attendance of the Past Masters at all meetings, giving the Master the benefit of much valu-

able advice. At the banquet which followed, we were treated to a fine musical programme, and several fine speeches, notably Bros. Very Rev. Dean Davis and Rev. Waller.

On December 14th I visited Moffatt Lodge, 399, Harrietsville. The attendance was good. No candidate for degrees was available, so I had the W. M., Bro. McVicar open and close in the three degrees, which was very creditably done. There have been no new members taken in during the year, but, notwithstanding the slow growth, the lodge is in a fine, healthy condition, owing undoubtedly to the efforts of W. Bro. Facey, the Secretary, and W. Bro. Dr. Doan, the Treasurer, who keep interest in the lodge from lagging, and look well after the finances. The ladies had a fine supper spread, which was done ample justice to, and the rest of the evening was spent in a pleasant, informal way.

Visited St. John's Lodge, 209a, London, on January 6th. The work of the evening was the exemplification of the first degree in the Irish rite. The degree was beautifully and impressively worked by the W. M., Bro. Santo and his officers. This was the first meeting at which the officers presided and 209a is to be congratulated on having a staff who can do such finished work. W. Bro Jared Vining, I.P.M., was presented with a Past Master's Jewel, an honor richly deserved. Of the Secretary, Bro. Keenleyside, too much praise cannot be given. His books are complete and in splendid order, and, owing to his exertions, outstanding dues are very small. A fine banquet with orchestral music and many fine speeches, closed an exceedingly pleasant and satisfactory visit.

St. Mark's Lodge, No. 94, Port Stanley, was visited on January 10th. I had with me on this occasion some twenty-five St. Thomas brethren. The second degree was the work of the evening and W. Bro. Dr. Jackson and his officers did very creditably considering that this was the first meeting since installation. Bro. Jackson is the new Secretary and bids fair to carry on his work like his worthy predecessor. Bro. Matthew Loney prepared a banquet in his best style at his restaurant, where speeches were given by R. W. Bro. Dubber, W. Bro. Wright and others, until the

trolley car whistle made us bid a hurried good-bye to our hospitable Port Stanley brethren.

On January 19th I paid my official visit to St. David's Lodge, 302, St. Thomas. This is the lodge in which I hold membership, so modesty forbids that I say much about the work. The third degree was exemplified in the presence of many visitors from surrounding lodges, and to say that W. Bro. Ed Brown and his officers fully upheld the high standard of excellence held for years by this lodge will be sufficient. Bro. Lewis, the Secretary, has been spoken of highly by previous D.D.G.Ms. and I may say that it is fully deserved. I regret to say that this is one of the lodges in the district that is very slow in the matter of the Semi-Centennial Fund; although W. Bro. Brown has done handsomely in his collections this year, there yet remains almost a similar amount for his successor to collect. The banquet and entertainment was a most enjoyable affair, and the speeches most instructive. W. Bro. Fred Voden spoke on "Canada To-day and To-morrow," and Bro. J. A. Taylor on "Education."

Visited Warren Lodge, 120, Fingal, February 7th. I was accompanied by several of the St. Thomas brethren, and my reception was most cordial. The attendance was not very large, but considering that the membership is very much scattered, entailing long drives for most of the brethren, and that a blizzard the day before made the side roads impassible, I was pleased with the number. The inclement weather, however, did not keep those two enthusiastic Dutton brethren, W. Bros. Jordan and Roberts from making the drive. There was no degree work, but I had the officers open and close the lodge in the three degrees, which was nicely done. The lodge seems to be in a healthy condition, two applications for membership being received that evening. Bro. Francis, the W. M. was absent through illness, W. Bro. Norman acting in his stead. I found Bro. Silcox a very efficient and painstaking Secretary, who, during the year has been indefatigable in his efforts to get the Semi-Centennial Fund all paid. He has not entirely succeeded, but is nearing the end. The banquet was served at Bro. Dan. Cameron's temperance hotel, where speeches and songs were the order of the even-

ing. W. Bro. Squire Campbell, one of the oldest Masons in the district, gave an account of Grand Lodge he attended in Ottawa in the fifties, which was listened to with much interest.

Doric Lodge, 289, Lobo. Drove out from London with R. W. Bro. Wallace and received a most cordial reception. There was no degree work. W. Bro. Steele opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees for my inspection, and did it well. The Secretary, Bro. Dr. Graham, keeps his books in splendid shape, and has the dues well paid up. The hall belongs to the lodge and is comfortably furnished, though not much funds are in the treasury, the yearly dues being only two dollars, which is not enough, as it only meets absolute expenditure, and leaves nothing to carry out benevolent demands. I was informed by W. Bro. Steele that the number of members who had located in the west made it next to impossible to get all the Semi-Centennial Fund paid up, but that the lodge was going to pay the balance from the treasury when possible. The ladies provided a fine supper, and after enjoying a most sociable hour, we closed with an enthusiastic rendering of "Auld Lang Syne."

Visited Henderson Lodge, 388, Ilderton, on Feb. 13th. Visitors present from Lobo, Bryanston, London and Lucan. There being no degree work for the evening, the M. W., Bro. Robson, opened and closed in the first, second, and third degrees. In my judgment W. Bro. Robson and his officers can give excellent work when occasion requires. Bro. J. H. Robson, the Secretary, is a very efficient officer; his books are well kept and the dues well paid up. There being some time to spare several were called on for a few remarks in the lodge room, and an excellent address was given by Rev. Bro. Dr. Monroe followed by others. After the refreshments which followed, short snappy speeches were the order of the evening. I can only conclude by predicting a prosperous future for Henderson, 388.

Visited King Solomon Lodge, 394, Thamesford, on March 8th. Drove from London, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Wallace, V. W. Bro. Davidson and W. Bro. Finlay Marshall, and had a royal welcome. We were honored by a visit from R. W. Bro. Naylor of

Wilson District, and a number from Ingersoll. W. Bro. H. S. Eyre conferred the first degree on a candidate in such an excellent manner as to call forth the praise and commendation of all present. He was ably assisted by his officers. Bro. Dunlop, J. W. gave the tracing board lecture in faultless style. Bro. MacDonald, the Secretary, keeps his books in fine condition. The lodge owns its own building. The Semi-Centennial Fund is being paid from the lodge treasury, and will soon be all settled. I might say in passing that this is R. W. Bro. O'Neil's mother lodge and the enthusiasm and interest of this excellent brother is undoubtedly transmitted to the officers of his lodge. We were all delighted with the kind and instructive remarks of R. W. Bro. Naylor. Work of the evening being over covers were laid and a fine supper was prepared. Speeches and songs were given. Rev. Bro. Murphy gave an address on "Brotherhood" and what it means to Masonry." This is one of the brightest lodges in the district.

Visited Union Lodge, 380, London, on March 13th. This is one of the large lodges of the district, also a very healthy and harmonious one. The attendance was very large, visitors being present from every quarter. W. Bro. Brighton exemplified the first degree in a very creditable manner. It would be difficult to point out or commend any officer more than another; they all did excellently, but in justice to the J. W., Bro. Flowers, I wish to say that I never heard the tracing board lecture given better. To Bro. Jos. Ward, the Secretary, is due to a great measure the excellent financial condition of the lodge, and his books are admirably kept. A pleasant hour was spent over a fine luncheon at which the usual speeches were given.

Mount Olivet Lodge, No. 300, Thorndale. I visited this lodge on March 14th with the double object of dedication of their new hall and my official visit. I was accompanied by about one hundred brethren from London and other points by special train. Grand Lodge opened at 8 p.m., the following brethren acting as officers:

As G. M., R. W. Bro. J. C. Spencer; D. G. M., R. W. Bro. Fred Guest; G. S. W., R. W. Bro. S.

Dubber; G.J.W., R. W. Bro. R. Guest; G. Chaplain, R. W. Bro. Essery; G. Treasurer, V. W. Bro Davidson; G. Secretary, V. W. Bro. Ed. Flock; Architect, R. W. Bro. Whitehead; G.S.D., W. Bro. Byse; G.J.D., W. Bro. Fitzgerald, G. Sword Bearer W. Bro. McCutcheon; G. Pursuivant, W. Bro. Dr. Banghardt; G. Organist, V. W. Bro. Jos. Wilson; G. Stewards, W. Bros. Dr. Zeigler, Marshall, Dr. Hughes, Glass, Morrison; G. Tyler, W. Bro. Jno. Wilson.

Grand Lodge proceeded to dedicate the hall to the purposes of Masonry in prescribed form, after which Grand Lodge returned to their quarters and was duly closed.

I then paid my official visit. No work being done, lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees. The officers did not do their work as well as I would wish, but this was no doubt caused through nervousness. Bro. Jas. Guest, the Secretary, keeps his books excellently, and has the dues well paid up. The new building is of brick, very handsome and roomy, with a large auditorium below, and a basement for refreshment room. The condition of the lodge is very healthy. A supper was served after closing down, at which many speeches of congratulatory nature were made by the distinguished brethren present.

Paid my official visit to The Tuscan Lodge, No. 195, London, on April 3rd, and was again greeted most cordially by a large number of members and visitors. W. Bro. Abbott and his officers presented the first degree for my inspection, which was very creditably done, the Junior Deacon and Junior Warden being especially good. Bro Wright is an excellent Secretary and his books show careful attention. During the evening the brethren evinced their appreciation of services rendered the lodge by W. Bro. Gillian by presenting him with a very handsome Past Master's Jewel. A banquet followed and we spent a very happy hour in speech and song.

Delaware Valley Lodge, No. 358, Delaware, was officially visited April 7th. I found many visitors present amongst whom was R. W. Bro. Thorneycroft of Lambeth. No candidate for degrees, I had the Master, Bro. Brown, open and close in the several de-

grees, which he and his officers did in a correct manner. The lodge seems to be in a prosperous condition, but regret to say that the members have not contributed any but \$4.50 to the Semi-Centennial Fund out of a quota of \$105.00. In my remarks I endeavored to point out its necessity, which I trust will bear its fruits later. Bro. Wm. Harker is a painstaking Secretary. After lodge was closed an adjournment was made to a nearby hotel where a fine supper was prepared and a very profitable hour was spent.

I visited Middlesex Lodge, No. 379, Bryanston, April 12th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Wallace and W. Bro. Finlay Marshall. There was a splendid attendance and I received a hearty reception. The W. M., Bro. Robert Fraser and his officers conferred the first degree in an excellent manner, the J. W., Bro. Dann giving his lecture in a way deserving special mention. The Semi-Centennial Fund came in for considerable discussion, and I hope that these worthy brethren will eventually pay their full quota. W. Bro. Alex. Grant is Secretary and his books show careful work, with little outstanding dues. After closing the lodge we went to Bro. Dann's residence where the good ladies provided a supper fit for a king, and after doing justice to the good things and having the usual speeches, the national anthem brought the evening to a close.

Kilwinning Lodge, No. 64, London. Visited April 21st. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Finlay Marshall and his officers, and I wish to say that they all did splendidly. This lodge is making rapid strides, and growing in enthusiasm and membership. Bro. Glover is an excellent Secretary, and his books are models of what they should be. W. Bro. Steele, I.P.M., was presented during the evening with a Past Master's Jewel. After labor a luncheon was partaken of, and many speeches, both witty and serious enjoyed.

I visited St. John's Lodge, No. 20, London, on May 9th. I was accompanied by many St. Thomas brethren who were anxious to witness the work in the Irish Rite. The Master Mason's degree was conferred on a candidate by W. Bro. Fred Darch and his large staff of officers. I am not familiar enough with

this work to criticize its accuracy, but I must say that it was beautifully done. The W. M. has an unusually impressive voice. This is the oldest lodge in the district, and W. Bro. J. O. Weldon, the Secretary, has the minutes complete since its inception, which occurred when the nineteenth century was very young. This lodge is most fortunate in having Bro. Weldon as Secretary. Having the time to devote to it and a great love for Masonry, he is continually rendering services to his lodge and the Craft generally. We were treated to that hospitality for which St. John's, No. 20, is noted, at the banquet which followed, and departed after one of the most delightful visits of the year.

Malahide Lodge, No. 140, Aylmer, was visited officially on May 10th. The work of the evening was conferring the first degree, which W. Bro. Bowlby and his officers did in a manner which sustained the high standard of excellence which Malahide has always enjoyed. It has been my pleasure to visit this lodge on several other occasions and observe the style of work, and with the reputation for perfection throughout the district, it would have been disappointing had the work been otherwise. I was delighted to again meet our good brother W. Bro. J. H. Dalton. He has become so much a part of Malahide Lodge, that, were he absent, he would be keenly missed. Bro. J. R. Wood is a splendid Secretary and keeps his books in faultless manner. An exceptionally happy time was afterwards spent at the refreshment table.

Visited Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 171, Lawrence Station, on May 12th. I was accompanied by several brethren of St. Thomas. We met a party of brethren who had driven over from Dutton, amongst whom were W. Bros. Jordan and Roberts. The members of Prince of Wales Lodge are most hospitable Masons indeed. The first degree was exemplified in a highly satisfactory way by W. Bro. Angus Murray, ably assisted by his officers. Bro. D. K. McLellan is the Secretary and his books are well kept. This lodge has not made any headway to speak of in the payment of the Semi-Centennial Fund, which does seem strange in brethren who are so open-hearted.

The evening was unbearably hot, and when we had an invitation to adjourn to the refreshment room, where an inviting supper had been prepared, we all responded with a will. The lodge is in a good healthy state, and the prospects are of the brightest.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

Expressing a desire early in the year to hold a Lodge of Instruction, the brethren of London kindly gave an invitation to hold it in their city. I accordingly gave notice and held the same in the Masonic Temple on May 16th. We were honored with the presence of the M.W. the G.M., Bro. Macwatt, whose advice and help were deeply appreciated. The District Secretary not being present I appointed W. Bro. Bowlby to that position for the occasion and I must say that he performed his duties exceedingly well. 2.30 p.m. Lodge opened by King Solomon Lodge, No. 378, London; the first degree conferred by Tuscan Lodge, No. 195, London. 4.25 p.m. lodge opened by Corinthian Lodge, No. 330, London. The officers of St. George's Lodge, No. 42 then conferred the second degree. Lodge was then called off and a luncheon served in the refreshment hall. Lodge was called on at 7.40 o'clock when Union Lodge, No. 380, conducted a board of trial. The third degree was exemplified by the officers of Kilwinning Lodge No. 64. The lodges taking part did splendid work, and the brethren who were fortunate enough to attend must have been greatly benefitted.

In conclusion I wish to say that the efforts of my distinguished predecessors, in getting the district in the high state of perfection it now enjoys, made my duties comparatively light and the year just now closing will remain green in my memory as one of the most instructive and happy periods of my life.

Fraternally submitted,

J. C. SPENCER, D.D.G.M.,

London District, No. 3.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Table shewing the work done in London District No. 3 from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

No. of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Mem- bership		Degree's Conf'd		Total No of all Mem.	Increase during year		Decrease during year		A. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliat ions	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet'gs held		Average atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. me't's 12 m'ths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance	
			Year	Month	Year	Month		Regular	Emergency	Deceased																					
20	St. John's	London	259	4	310	6	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
42	St. George's	London	159	16	611	12	13	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	338	38	18	28	25	11	8	2	2	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
64	Kilwinning	London	224	19	9	14	13	13	3	2	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
94	St. Mark's	Port Stanley	67	6	3	3	3	3	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	76	2	7	2	2	2	2	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
120	Warren	Fingal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
140	Malahide	Aylmer	117	10	7	8	8	8	2	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
171	P. of Wales	Lawrence Stat'n	40	8	8	7	7	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
190	Belmont	Belmont	74	3	...	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
195	The Tuscan	London	105	12	4	7	8	12	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
209a	St. John's	London	337	19	6	16	15	15	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
232	Cameron	Dutton	67	5	1	5	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
289	Doric	Lobo	49	5	3	5	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
300	Mount Olivet	Thorndale	55	3	1	3	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
302	St. David's	St. Thomas	248	6	12	16	18	15	1	1	3	5	4	4	14	28	32	54	50	60	20	278	00	Dec.	'10	Good	Good	Yes	1000	00	
330	Corinthian	London	177	19	10	18	19	19	1	1	1	4	5	12	9	21	46	150	00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
344	Merrill	Dorchester	52	5	1	5	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
345	Nilestown	Nilestown	62	5	2	6	6	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
358	Delaware	Delaware	63	4	1	4	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
378	King S't'm'n	London	186	17	4	15	15	11	2	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
379	Middlesex	Bryanston	43	4	1	3	3	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
380	Union	London	230	16	10	12	13	13	1	3	2	5	3	11	3	14	41	132	40	64	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
388	Henderson	Illderton	42	4	1	4	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
394	King S't'm'n	Thamesford	80	3	...	3	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
399	Moffatt	Harrietsville	47	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT NO. 4.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

It is with pleasure I present to you my report on the condition of Masonry in South Huron District, No. 4.

Permit me, in the first place, to express to my brethren of South Huron District, No. 4, my appreciation of the very great honor conferred on me by electing me District Deputy Grand Master of this important district, and also for the genial, kindly, whole-souled courtesy extended to me by the members of every lodge in the district during my term of office.

Masonry in this district is making decided progress. Many new members have been added to the ranks, and, what is more pleasing to me, is that quality rather than numbers seems to be the guiding principle in the selections.

New quarters having of recent years been secured by some of the lodges, and some others not knowing that their lodges must be dedicated within a given time, I found that two lodges were not dedicated on this account, while a third was not dedicated owing to the bad condition of repair in which the hall was kept, and the stubbornness of the landlord in not making the necessary repairs, making it likely that it would be necessary to change quarters, and on that account it was deemed undesirable to dedicate this lodge just at present, or until more satisfactory arrangements could be made, or a new lodge room obtained.

On the 30th of June, 1911, assisted by R. W. Bro. S. G. Holly and other Wor. Bros., I dedicated Wilmot Lodge No. 318, at Baden, leaving the other two, viz.: Clinton Lodge, No. 84, at Clinton, and New Dominion, No. 205, at New Hamburg, for the incoming D. D. G. M.

I am convinced that throughout South Huron District, the genuine teachings of Masonry are fully appreciated and being practised.

The lodges are in nearly every case, I believe, in good financial standing, and their interests carefully guarded by conscientious and efficient officers. A few lodges have to put up with many of their members being away, and were, thereby, showing many in arrears, temporally, in some cases, and permanently in others.

I have never failed to urge upon all lodges the necessity of paying up their quota of the Semi-Centennial Fund, and in some cases have drawn attention to promises made at the N. E. A. of the L. in order to get some brethren interested and aroused into action, and am pleased to say that in many cases favorable responses have been made, and in a few instances lodges that had never paid a cent into this fund have responded by paying in their full quota, while others have paid portions of the same, and in every instance those in arrears have promised to take the matter up with zeal, in the hope of getting all arrears paid up in the near future.

For the good work done in many of the lodges in the district, as well as for their good financial standing, I feel that my predecessors are entitled to the major portion of the credit.

November 14, 1910, visited Zurich Lodge, No. 224, Hensall. Was well received by W. Bro. J. McDiarmid and the officers and members, a goodly number of brethren being present, as well as quite a number of visitors from Seaforth and other lodges, amongst whom I was very much pleased to meet P. D. D. G. Ms. R. E. Cooper and Reid. Lodge was duly opened in the first and second degrees, and a well posted and intelligent brother raised. The work was done in a really fine manner, and the W. M. and officers duly complimented. Auditors' report shows balance in bank, \$436.25. No insurance on lodge property; W. M. promised to insure forthwith. S. C. B. fund had received nothing, but W. M. promised to pay in \$80.00, which he did, and has since paid balance, and this lodge is now on honor roll. This lodge has bright prospects.

March 9th, 1911, visited Irving, No. 154, Lucan. Had a very friendly and fraternal reception, 45 members and visitors present. Was pleased to see R. W. Bro. Dawson, P. D. D. G. M. of this district, present. Lodge was opened in first and second degrees, and candidate raised to the sublime degree of a M. M. W. Bro.

McEwen and his officers put on the work in a capital manner. The books and accounts are kept in a neat and correct manner; funds banked in chartered bank, and paid out by order signed by W. M. and secretary on cheque of treasurer; old minutes kept in place of safety; by-laws revised in 1910; auditors' report to 19th Dec., 1910, showing balance of \$62.00 in bank; lodge property insured for \$300.00; have no Installation Board, will have one in future; returns all sent in, five members in arrears; promised to pay up S. C. B. fund arrears forthwith.

Visited Doric Lodge, No. 233, Parkhill, on the 14th March, 1911. Was well received, 40 members present. Lodge opened in three degrees, and one candidate raised. Work well put on, and candidate thoroughly posted. A pleasing feature of this meeting was the presentation of a P. M.'s jewel to W. Bro. Newall, on the eve of his departure from the town, by R. W. Bro. Dawson and Secretary Zapfe, taking the recipient completely by surprise. W. Bro. Newall made a feeling and suitable reply, after which an adjournment was made to Hotel Schaefer, where a very sumptuous banquet was given. Doric Lodge is progressing, and its prospects are good, with capable and efficient officers and an enthusiastic membership, and well kept books and accounts, it can't be otherwise. Recommended a revision of the by-laws. W. M. and officers promised to do something substantial towards wiping off the debt owing an account of Semi-Centennial B. fund without delay.

Visited New Dominion Lodge, 205, at New Hamburg, on the 20th March, 1911, and was kindly received. They do not have large meetings here, as it is a small lodge, but what they lack in numbers they make up for in enthusiasm. Lodge opened and closed in three degrees very creditably, no other work being on the board, and having found the books and accounts neatly and well kept, urged them to pay up the small balance owing to S. C. F. at once. They promised to do so as soon as possible. The lodge room is in a bad state of repairs, and they have decided that if the proprietor does not repair the building they will seek other quarters.

Visited St. Mary's Lodge, No. 493, St. Mary's, on the 27th of March, 1911. There was a good attendance and 493 is progressing, with bright prospects. Officers

do their work well, and are painstaking and efficient. This lodge is in good financial standing. Lodge room is also used by St. James' Lodge, which owns the furniture. Secretary A. Carman acts for both St. James' and St. Mary's, and is a very careful, efficient secretary.

Visited Lebanon Forest Lodge, No. 133, Exeter, on the 10th April, 1911. Found a very nice lodge room, and officers well up in their work. The first degree was put on in a good and impressive manner. Books and accounts kept in a neat and businesslike manner. This is and a progressive lodge, and the brethren are very enthusiastic Masons, and a bright future seems to be in store for it.

Visited Maitland Lodge, 33, Goderich, on the 11th April, 1911. I found this lodge one of the best in the district, the lodge room being bright, commodious and well equipped, and the officers well posted, efficient, capable and enthusiastic, all of them being competent to do their work in any or all of the degrees. The lodge was opened in the three degrees, and a splendidly trained candidate was raised to the sublime degree of a M. M. in such a capable and satisfactory manner as to be really very pleasing to me and all the brethren present. Maitland Lodge is a very hospitable one. A more friendly, generous and fraternal lot of brethren it has never been my fortune to meet, and their kind and generous treatment of me I will not soon forget. The future of this lodge cannot be otherwise than bright and progressive.

Visited Morning Star Lodge, 309, Carlow, accompanied by W. Bro. Turnbull and a number of Goderich brethren. I found this a very unique little lodge, situated right amongst the hills, and the lodge room is owned by the brethren, who are a fine lot of enthusiastic Masons, who do their work well, all things considered. A candidate, being a son of Col. Varcoe, was passed to the second degree in a fairly good manner. The S. W.'s lecture was well delivered. After the close of the lodge we were right handsomely entertained and given a capital lunch, after which we left for Goderich, being well pleased with our visit to Carlow. This lodge has since paid in \$25.00 to the S. C. Fund.

Visited Elma Lodge, No. 456, Monkton, on the 13th day of April, 1911. Was very much pleased with their lodge room and the manner in which the brethren did

their work. The J. W.'s lecture in the first degree was well rendered, and the candidate seemed to be highly taken with it. W. Bro. Chalmers is a great pillar in the support of this lodge. The brethren are a fine lot of fellows, and the prospects for this lodge are bright.

Visited Blyth Lodge, No. 303, Blyth, on the 18th of April, 1911. This is a fairly good lodge. The second degree was put on by the Master and Wardens in a creditable manner, and the candidate passed, after a searching examination, the S. W. having delivered the lecture in a very impressive manner. Books and accounts well and neatly kept. Lodge property sufficiently insured. Auditors' report shows good balance in bank, and the lodge in a good financial condition. Blyth Lodge will go on and prosper if the officers are kept up to their present efficient standard. I was pleased to meet P. D. D. G. M., R. W. Bro. J. B. Tiernay and renew friendship.

Visited Milverton Lodge, No. 478, Milverton, on the 24th April, 1911. They had an initiation, which was well put on by all of the officers. The J. W.'s lecture was especially good. The lodge is progressing, and the officers are very attentive, as well as efficient. They have a fair balance to their credit in the bank, and have promised to do something for the S. C. Fund in the near future. Although they are not liable for anything, they will do this gratuitously.

Visited Britannia Lodge, No. 170, Seaforth, on 1st of May, 1911. Lodge was opened and closed in three degrees in a creditable manner, and a candidate raised to the sublime degree of a M. M. in fine style. P. D. D. G. Ms. Reid and Cooper were also present. W. Bro. Porterfield, W. M., and the Wardens of Tudor Lodge, Mitchell, as well as a large attendance of Britannia members, were present, and a very nice, sociable evening was spent. This is a very good lodge, and the officers and members are all good, whole-souled Masons. At this meeting the lodge granted from its funds the sum of \$50.00 on account of the S. C. Fund, and a further sum of \$22.00 having been collected from members in arrears, it was arranged to remit the \$72.00 on this account at once and to have the balance collected and remitted without delay. A bright and prosperous future awaits the lodge.

On the 8th of May, 1911, I visited Granton Lodge, No. 483, at Granton, and found a very cosy lodge and a fine lot of enthusiastic Masons, who are in hopes of being able in the near future to build a lodge for themselves. Their books and accounts are neatly and well kept, and their auditors' report shows a fair balance in the bank. Their minutes will be kept in the office safe. Revision of by-laws now about ready for submission to Grand Master. A candidate was passed to the second degree in good form, all the officers doing their work well. They are a fine lot of Masons at Granton, and I have great hopes of their continuous success.

Visited Tudor Lodge, No. 141, Mitchell. I found this a very fine lodge, well furnished, equipped, and officered and all up-to-date. Books and accounts well and neatly kept, and the auditors' report shows a good balance in the savings bank. Returns all regularly sent in, and very few members twelve months in arrears. There was a very large attendance, there being no less than 28 visitors from Stratford, Seaforth, Monkton and other lodges, showing that fine fraternal feeling which should characterize Masons. Lodge was opened in the first degree, and two candidates were initiated in a very creditable manner. The lecture by the J. W. was delivered in a very impressive manner, and R. W. Bro. Shaw, P.D. D. G. M., delivered the charge in splendid style. The fourth degree was fully up to the standard, and highly appreciated by all. This is a progressive lodge, with bright prospects.

Visited Clinton Lodge, No. 84, Clinton, on the 19th of May, 1911. Found a very good lodge, W. Bro. Taylor presiding. Auditors' report shows good balance in the Royal Bank. Lodge property well insured, and not a large number of members in arrears. Lodge not dedicated. Minute book and accounts neatly and well kept. Recommended the renting of a space in bank vault for depositing a box with minute books and all valuable papers for safe keeping. Reports all sent in regularly. This lodge is considerably in arrears re S. C. Fund. Strongly urged that they should do something, and at once. W. M. promised to take up the matter and pay in what they can without delay. This is a prosperous lodge and their future prospects are bright.

Visited St. James' Lodge, No. 73, St. Mary's, on the

5th of June, 1911, and found this lodge in very good shape, and officers well up in their work. They passed a candidate in capital style, the lecture having been exceptionally well delivered by the S. W. Auditors' report to the 23rd December, 1910, showing balance in bank of \$331.64, since increased to \$435.00. No vault; minutes kept in desk in lodge. I recommended that a space in bank vault be rented so minutes and valuable papers could be put in a box and placed in said vault for safe keeping. This lodge is progressing. They are a fine lot of Masons, and work harmoniously with St. Mary's Lodge, both occupying the same lodge room, and both lodges advancing. This is as it should be. Never was better treated than at St. James', and as long as they work as harmoniously as they do at present they cannot fail to prosper. The lodge presented two of their Past Masters, W. Bros. Hyland and Edy, with P. M.'s jewels in appreciation of their services to the lodge. The W. brethren having been taken completely by surprise, as soon as they could command their feelings, made suitable replies respectively, and lodge meeting adjourned to the Windsor Hotel, where a grand banquet was given, after which all retired, agreeing that they had spent a very pleasant and enjoyable night.

Visited Stratford Lodge, No. 332, on the 12th of June, 1911. This is a capital lodge, one of the best in the district; officers well up in their work. Minutes and accounts well and neatly kept. Auditors' report to 24th June, 1910, showed a balance in the bank at that date of \$1392.79. Since reduced on account of furnishing new hall to about \$100.00. Insurance of lodge property done by "Hall Trust." Secretary intends in future to keep minutes and valuables in his office safe. By-laws revised in 1909. Three candidates for advancement were duly examined, and showed that they were exceptionally well posted, and one of them was passed to the fellow craft degree in first-class style, all the officers doing their work well. I was very much pleased to meet P. D. D. G. Ms. R. W. Bros. Malcolm and C. Hodgins at this meeting. R. W. Bro. Malcolm is one of the mainstays of everything Masonic in and about Stratford, and always ready to lend an able and helping hand whenever called upon. Stratford Lodge appreciates him, and rightly so. Stratford Lodge has a bright and prosperous future before it.

Visited Tecumseh Lodge, No. 144, Stratford, on the 16th of June, 1911. All that I have said in favor of Stratford Lodge will apply to Tecumseh, as they both occupy the same lodge room, and they get along in a nice fraternal and friendly manner. The lodge room is one of the finest in Western Ontario, being roomy, airy, and thoroughly equipped, with a thoroughly capable staff of officers and a large body of enthusiastic members. A number of candidates were balloted for, the new ballot box being used, which did not give the utmost satisfaction. Some of the ballots used were too large for the funnel aperture. A candidate was initiated in a very creditable manner, all the officers doing their work in good form. The minute book and accounts are well, capably and neatly kept, and I need not to say that this lodge is progressive and thoroughly up-to-date, and has a bright future before it.

Visited Wilmot Lodge, No. 318, Baden, on the 30th June, 1911. This was an emergency meeting, called for the purpose of dedicating the lodge. The membership of this lodge is small, but what it lacks in numbers is made up by the zeal and efficiency of its officers and members. There was a reasonably fair turn out of the members, and a large number of visitors from New Dominion Lodge, No. 205, and I must thank R. W. Bro. P. D. D. G. M. Holly, W. Bros. Sutherland and Ireland, Bros. H. Ernest Hahn, Morley and the other members who took part and gave me valuable assistance in the dedication. There being no other work, an adjournment was made to the Baden Hotel, where the fourth degree was well exemplified and an enjoyable hour spent, after which the company separated, a very enjoyable evening having been spent.

In conclusion, I would like to draw the attention of some of the Secretaries to the fact that in order for the D. D. G. M. to get his report to Grand Lodge in the time stipulated in the Constitution, Secretaries should send him their reports on time. I have had difficulty in this way, sometimes having to telephone for them, and then get the reply that they had lost the form, and now ask for another. In fact, after writing and telephoning I did not get one report until the 8th of July.

I would again thank the brethren for the kindness extended to me during my term of office, and particular-

ly to those who so efficiently assisted me at the dedication of Wilmont Lodge No. 318.

Fraternally submitted,

F. HOLWELL, D. D. G. M.,
South Huron District No. 4.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Table shewing the work done in South Huron District, No. 4, from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

No. of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Mem- bership		Total No. of all Mem.		Meet'gs held		A verage atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. memb'rs in arre'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance									
			Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations										Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Deceased	Regular	Emergency	Total		
33	Maitland	Goderich	156	10	17	17	12	3	1	4	5	13	11	24	35	180	00	15	352	50	June	24, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1000 00
73	St. James	St. Mary's	93	1	6	6	7	..	2	..	3	11	8	19	17	16	00	23	140	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
84	Clinton	Clinton	89	5	3	3	1	..	2	..	1	14	2	16	26	20	00	17	82	50	Jan.	3, '11	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
133	Lebanon	F'st Exeter	107	6	5	6	1	2	..	..	11	2	13	22	..	..	6	76	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Bright	1&2	450 00	
141	Tudor	Mitchell	69	7	8	5	1	1	2	..	..	13	1	14	18	150	00	8	125	00	Jan.	17, '11	Good	Bright	Yes	300 00
144	Tecumseh	Stratford	226	20	25	28	25	4	7	..	2	13	13	26	41	108	80	40	536	00	Jan.	17, '11	Good	Good	Yes	2500 00
154	Irving	Lucan	82	12	8	10	8	9	2	1	6	21	0	9	19	18	..	9	32	65	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
170	Britannia	Seaforth	110	8	2	8	6	6	..	1	..	14	4	18	25	10	00	13	100	70	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
205	New Domin'n	New Hamburg	41	1	1	1	3	2	..	..	..	13	1	13	11	28	00	6	79	50	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Im'v'm't	1&2	300 00
224	Zurich	Hensall	83	1	3	3	3	2	1	1	1	2	13	1	14	25	65	10	61	00	Jan.	22, '11	Good	Good	Yes	None
233	Doric	Parkhill	74	3	4	5	4	1	1	..	..	12	3	16	17	97	00	10	70	00	Mch.	22, '11	Good	Good	Yes	400 00
303	Blyth	Blyth	64	2	5	6	7	1	1	1	1	12	12	20	..	..	..	..	57	70	July	4, '10	Good	Good	Yes	400 00
309	Morn.	Star.	53	7	8	8	7	..	1	..	..	13	2	15	17	25	00	9	151	26	Dec.	27, '10	Good	v'y good	Yes	600 00
318	Wilmot	Baden	28	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	10	10	8	..	55	00	12	275	00	Dec.	27, '10	Fair	Fair	Yes	400 00
332	Stratford	Stratford	164	3	5	6	8	1	2	1	..	21	3	4	17	47	9	45	276	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	2500 00
456	Elma	Monkton	57	6	6	4	3	..	..	..	..	13	3	16	15	10	00	..	..	..	Dec.	31, '10	Good	Good	Yes	150 00
478	Milverton	Milverton	57	15	14	9	9	1	1	1	..	13	4	17	16	..	..	3	62	55	Feb.	11, '11	Good	Good	Yes	250 00
483	Granton	Granton	31	3	3	5	5	1	..	..	..	12	12	15	..	..	..	1	22	25	Jan.	11, '11	Good	Good	Yes	None
493	St. Mary's	St. Mary's	56	5	6	6	6	1	1	1	1	11	1	16	16	72	00	14	41	00	May	30, '11	Good	Good	Yes	None

NORTH HURON DISTRICT NO. 5.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in North Huron District No. 5.

I desire in the first place to thank the brethren of the district for electing me to the high and honorable office of District Deputy Grand Master. I am pleased to report that the condition of Masonry is in splendid order in the district. I made the Semi-Centennial Fund a strong point in my addresses to the brethren of the lodges that were behind in this fund, urged them to pay their quota in full. Am pleased to state quite a number have done so, and nearly all the lodges in the district have promised to do so in the near future.

I might say that on my official visit I was received as the representative of the M. W., the Grand Master, in a royal manner, and without exception was entertained in the banquet-room at the close of the evening's work.

A lodge of Instruction was held in Walkerton, Nov. 17, 1910. Saugeen Lodge, No. 197, exemplified the first degree, Port Elgin Lodge, No. 429, the second, and St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 131, the third. The work in the several degrees was done in a splendid manner.

The brethren present expressed themselves as highly pleased with the work, and considered it a very successful Lodge of Instruction.

Having received instructions from the M. W., the Grand Master, I dedicated Forest Lodge, No. 393, Chesley, May 11, St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 131, Southampton, May 12th, and St. John's Lodge, No. 284, Brussels, May 24th. Was ably assisted by the Past Masters in performing the ceremony.

Moravian Lodge, No. 431, Edengrove—I made my official visit to this lodge September 23rd, 1910. Work of the evening, two thirds. The W. M., W. Bro. M. L.

Zeigler, conferred the degree very accurately, ably assisted by the officers. W. Bro. McKeeman gave the charge in a very impressive manner. The Secretary's books are well kept by Bro. Loughleen. This lodge is in a prosperous condition. Was pleased to meet W. Bro. Dongan, I think the oldest member in the lodge.

Hanover Lodge, No. 432, Hanover—I visited this lodge officially, October 14th, 1910. Regular meeting. As there was no work, the W. M., W. Bro. Jas. A. Magee, with his officers, exemplified the third degree in part to show me they had their work up well. Am pleased to report they have paid their quota to the S. C. B. F. The secretary, W. Bro. C. Coppinger, has his books in first-class shape. The treasurer's books are also well kept..

St. John's Lodge, No. 284, Brussels—Made my official visit to this lodge October 18th. Regular meeting. The W. M., Henry Duncan, and his officers conferred the E. A. degree almost perfectly. The W. M. takes a pride in getting the work perfect. The whole of the J. W.'s lecture was given by that officer in a very impressive manner. The lodge is in a prosperous condition. Am pleased to state that since my visit they have paid their quota to the S. C. B. F. in full.

Wingham Lodge, No. 286, Wingham, October 19th—Emergent meeting. The first degree was conferred in good style by the W. M., W. Bro. J. W. McKibbon, and his officers. The J. W. gave the whole of his lecture very accurately and impressively. The lodge is in a prosperous condition, and prospects are very bright. Was pleased to meet R. W. Bro. J. A. Morton, P. D. D. G. M. The Secretary's books are well looked after by him. I am pleased to say this lodge has paid their quota to the S. C. B. Fund.

Forest Lodge, No. 393, Chesley, December 13th—Regular meeting. The first degree was conferred by the W. M., W. Bro. Rev. W. B. Smith, and he was well supported by his officers. His rendering of the work was very well done. The J. W.'s lecture was given in full in a splendid manner. Was pleased to meet W. Bro. T. Ross, who gave the charge very effectively, also W. Bro. Mickel, a good standby in the Lodge. The S. C. B. F. is fully paid up.

Bruce Lodge, No. 341, Tiverton, January 31st, 1911—Emergent meeting. The first degree was conferred by the W. M. and his officers in a faultless manner. The J. W. gave the whole of his lecture with a good deal of credit to himself. I had the honor of presenting a Past Master's jewel to the I. P. M. The books of the lodge are in good shape, and are well looked after by W. Bro. D. A. McLaren, Secretary, and W. Bro. McKellar, Treasurer. Prospects for this lodge seem very bright.

Northern Light, No. 93, Kincardine, February 1st—Regular meeting. The first degree was conferred on a candidate by the W. M., W. Bro. M. D. McPhail, and his officers in a pleasing manner. This lodge is one of the strongest in the district, and it fully sustained its reputation in having the work perfect. J. W.'s lecture given in full and almost perfectly. R. W. Bro. M. J. McPherson gave the charge very effectively. This lodge is in a very prosperous condition.

Forest Lodge, No. 162, Wroxeter, February 6th—Visited this lodge. Emergent meeting. The second degree was exemplified by the W. M., W. Bro. Davidson, and his officers in a creditable manner. R. W. Bro. Thos. Brown, P. D. D. G. M., also the P. Ms. of the lodge, seem to take a good deal of interest in the work of the lodge. Secretary's books well looked after.

Teeswater Lodge, No. 276, Teeswater—Visited this lodge February 7th. Third degree exemplified by W. M., W. Bro. J. W. Little, and his officers in a splendid manner. Semi-Centennial Fund fully paid. Secretary's books kept in good shape by Bro. Campbell, and Treasurer's books by W. Bro. Dr. Stuart. The prospects are very bright for this lodge.

Fordwich Lodge, No. 331, Fordwich—Made my official visit to this lodge February 8th. Emergent meeting. There being no candidate, the first degree was exemplified in a splendid manner by the W. M., W. Bro. Jamieson, and his officers. The J. W. gave his lecture in full in good style. The junior officers did their work very well. Prospects for this lodge are very good.

Old Light Lodge, No. 184, Lucknow—Visited this lodge officially February 9th. The work of the evening was the first degree, which was conferred in a splendid manner by the W. M., W. Bro. Jno. McKenzie, and his

officers. The J. W.'s lecture was given very effectively. Secretary's books kept in good shape by Bro. McLeod.

Burns Lodge, No. 436, Hepworth—Made my official visit on February 14th. Regular meeting. Work of the evening a second degree, which was conferred in a very creditable manner by the W. M., W. Bro. Alex. Reid. Charge was given by W. Bro. J. E. Campbell in splendid style. The junior officers did their work very well. The brethren of this lodge have Masonry at heart, and prospects seem bright for the future. Finances in fairly good shape. Secretary's books in good shape.

Port Elgin, No. 429, Port Elgin—Made my official visit to this lodge on 9th of March. The W. M., W. Bro. Patterson, conferred the first degree in a very impressive manner. The J. W.'s lecture was given in full very accurately. The J. D.'s work was well done. The W. M., Angus McLeod, and a number of brethren from my own lodge, St. Lawrence, No. 131, accompanied me on this visit. Port Elgin Lodge does its work well. The Secretary's books are well kept.

Bernard Lodge, No. 225, Listowel—Visited this lodge on the 10th of March. Work, first degree. Was conferred in splendid form by the W. M., W. Bro. Jos. Ainley, ably assisted by his officers. The J. W.'s lecture was given in full. Was pleased to meet R. W. Bro. D. D. Campbell, the veteran of the district, who gave the charge in splendid form. The Secretary's books are well looked after by R. W. Bro. Foster. Lodge in prosperous condition.

Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 362, Tara—I visited this lodge March 13th. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Croome in splendid form. The J. W.'s lecture was particularly well rendered. This lodge, I am pleased to say, has paid in full their quota to Semi-Centennial Fund. W. Bro. Briggs makes a good Secretary. Finances in good shape. Lodge has good prospects for the future.

Cedar Lodge, No. 396, Wiarton—Made my official visit March 14th. This is the strongest lodge in the district. The third degree was conferred in a perfect manner. The junior officers did their work well. A committee was appointed at this meeting to collect the balance of the S. C. B. F. This is the only lodge in the district where music is used in the ceremony: I think it adds greatly to make it more impressive.

Aldworth Lodge, No. 235, Paisley—Visited this lodge March 16th. The first degree was evemplified in part by the W. M. and his officers in good style, to show that, had they a candidate, the work would be well done. I was accompanied on this visit by W. Bro. Geo. Martin, St. Lawrence, and W. Bro. Everdale, Speed Lodge, Guelph. The Secretary, Bro. Bell, makes a very efficient officer.

St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 131, Southampton—Made my official visit to this lodge March 28th. Emergent meeting. The first degree was conferred on a candidate by the W. M., W. Bro. Angus McLeod, and his officers in splendid form. The J. W.'s lecture was given in full by Bro. E. J. Mitchell, S. W., the charge by W. Bro. Dr. P. J. Scott. The brethren of this, my own, lodge, gave me a hearty reception, as I have the honor of being the first D. D. G. M. of this district in the lodge in fifty years. The lodge has a good Secretary in W. Bro. Jno. McVittie, and is in a prosperous condition.

Saugeen Lodge, No. 197, Walkerton—Visited this lodge officially April 11th. The first degree was exemplified by the W. M., W. Bro. E. Myles, and his officers in a faultless manner. The J. W. gave his lecture in full very accurately. The J. D.'s work was very well done. This lodge has paid their quota in full to the S. C. B. F. this year. The Secretary, Bro. W. B. Thompson, is a very efficient officer. Books are kept second to none in the district.

In concluding my report, I must thank the brethren for their kindness to me throughout the district. I shall remember with pleasure the courteous manner in which I was always received.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES BURNS, D. D. G. M.,
North Huron District No. 5.

WILSON DISTRICT NO. 6.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

I have the honor to submit for your consideration the following report on the condition of Masonry in Wilson District No. 6, for the year 1910-11.

I wish at the outset to thank the brethren of the district for electing me by acclamation at the City of Belleville to the high and honorable position of D. D. G. M. During my term of office it has been my constant endeavor to merit the confidence placed in me, and if I have fallen short in any way in the performance of my duty, you can rest assured it was not through lack of zeal in the cause on my part. I visited every lodge in the district once, and some two or three lodges oftener, and on almost every occasion I was delighted with the work exemplified. With only one or two exceptions, the W. Ms. and other officers have been well skilled, enthusiastic, thoroughly competent to open and close and confer the degree or degrees which I had the pleasure of witnessing, and to preside with dignity becoming the office. The Wardens in every case gave the lectures in full, and in almost every case met with my approval, the lectures on some occasions being exceptionally well rendered.

I was agreeably surprised when visiting the smaller lodges where it is often very difficult to get officers to remain long enough in a place to go through the chairs, to find in the majority of cases that their work as a whole was equally as well done as in some of the larger lodges where members are often clamoring for office.

Knowing that accuracy and uniformity of the work is one of the great essentials, I devoted considerable time and effort to its attainment, and on every occasion I gave the officers the new changes in the three degrees, and I instructed the officers on all work as far as my knowledge would permit, which I am pleased to say in every case was most acceptable to the brethren. I cor-

rected whenever I found it necessary, and complimented only when it was deserved, which, I believe, is the proper course for any D. D. G. M. to take if we are ever to get our work uniform and perfect. I am satisfied that Wilson District can hold its own with any district under the G. L.

On my return home from Belleville, I was tendered a reception by the officers and members of my mother and sister lodges, which I appreciated to the fullest extent, being the first brother from Ingersoll to receive the honor of D. D. G. M. since the year 1869 in my mother lodge and 1885 in my sister lodge, our last being R. W. Bro. J. C. Hegler. It was quite natural that there should be such a splendid turnout to see such a rare treat as a D. D. G. M. from the town of Ingersoll, and to congratulate him. After the lodge was closed refreshments were served. R. W. Bro. J. C. Hegler presided over a pleasant hour of speech and song.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. Dr. J. B. Coleridge of King Hiram Lodge, No. 37, as District Secretary, and W. Bro. W. J. Peters of St. John's Lodge, No. 68, as District Chaplain, and I have great pleasure in stating that they have faithfully and efficiently discharged every duty which fell to their lot.

BY-LAWS AMENDED

I examined very carefully the by-laws of the twenty-two lodges, and found at least twenty out of the twenty-two in bad shape, some that were not approved at all by the Grand Master, and the majority of them with five to eight clauses quite contrary to the constitution. In every case I recommended that a revision be made at once. This is now being done by the majority of the lodges.

I have been notified of the following by-laws that were sent to the Grand Master for his approval: St. John's, No. 104, Norwich; King Solomon, No. 43, and Oxford, No. 76, Woodstock; King Hiram, No. 37, and St. John's, No. 68, Ingersoll.

DEPARTED BRETHREN

I regret to have the melancholy duty of reporting the removal by death of several prominent members of the craft. I have notice of the following: W. Bro. James McIntosh, November 10th, 1910, late member of De-

troit Lodge, No. 82, late P. M. of King Hiram Lodge, No. 78, Tillsonburg; Bro. Peter Stafford, January 20, 1911, late member of Wilson Lodge, No. 113, Waterford; Bro. Albert J. Stizaker, 14th February, 1911, late member of Frederick Lodge, No. 217, Delhi; Bro. W. D. Hook, 21st February, 1911, late member of King Hiram Lodge, No. 37, Ingersoll; Bro. A. Markle, 3rd March, 1911, late member of Scotland Lodge, No. 193, Scotland; Bro. Robert Power, 20th June, 1911, late member of Frederick Lodge, No. 217, Delhi.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Our district, I am sorry to say, has been a little backward in this fund ever since its inception, due no doubt to the antipathy shown by one or two P. D. D. G. Ms. that I understand were strongly opposed to it, as well as a great many members in some lodges not having a clear conception as to the real nature and object of this fund, and the way in which the money is expended.

Up to May 31st, 1910, only \$1946.50 was paid in, out of a quota of \$4446.00, leaving a deficit when I assumed office of \$2499.50.

Last year we had only four lodges that had received the star, four more that had failed to pay anything, one lodge that had paid only one dollar, and still another that had paid only three dollars. I am pleased to be able to report a little different state of affairs on May 31st, 1911, due to the untiring efforts of strong committees that I had appointed in each lodge and the liberal and large hearted brethren they had to see and collect from. The district had paid on May 31st, 1911, \$4003.00 out of a quota of \$4446.00, and some three days later, on June 3rd, Vienna Lodge paid in \$64.50, in full of its quota, but unfortunately three days late to appear in this year's Grand Secretary's report.

Thistle Lodge, Embro, has since sent in \$3.00, and Plattsville \$26.00, making a total of \$4096.50 paid in at the time of writing this report. Fifteen lodges are now paid up in full, and the remaining seven have all contributed, the smallest amount being \$24.00 and the largest \$315.00, and I have every reason to believe that at least five out of the seven will be fully paid up by the time the Grand Lodge meets in July. I therefore have every reason to feel proud of my district, and to feel that

we are not going to allow many districts under your jurisdiction to outdo us in the exemplification of the degrees or the putting into practice what the degrees or Free Masonry indicate.

CORRESPONDENCE

The clerical work of my office has been considerable this year, owing to the fact that it was necessary to write the lodges early and often re S. C. B. Fund, some 384 letters being sent out during the year. To some this would seem arduous; to me it was a real pleasure, and especially so when I find such grand results.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Springfield Lodge, No. 259, Springfield—Commenced my visits at this lodge on October 17th, 1910, accompanied by W. Bro. Peters, District Chaplain, W. Bro. Roger Miller, Bro. F. P. Leake and Bro. R. T. Agar, of Ingersoll. The officers exemplified the second degree in a very efficient and impressive manner on a bright, well skilled candidate, leaving little or no room for criticism. This lodge is particularly fortunate in the possession of a Secretary who is not excelled, if he has any equal, in the district. Books are neat, dues nearly all collected, S. C. B. Fund overpaid by \$118.00. This lodge collects \$3.00 for the S. C. B. Fund from every newly initiated candidate, which I think is a splendid system, a system that every lodge in the district or in the Province should adopt, or else set aside \$3.00 out of every initiation fee for benevolent purposes.

Oriental Lodge, No. 181, Port Burwell—I visited this lodge on November 15th, 1910, accompanied by W. Bro. W. J. Peters, District Chaplain, W. Bro. Edwards, Bro. F. P. Leake and Bro. H. B. McCarthy, of Ingersoll, who ably assisted me as Grand Lodge officers in the dedication of the hall. The exemplification of the second degree was about completed when we arrived. After the dedication, I addressed the members at some length on the S. C. B. Fund. Since then, I am pleased to report, that the sum of \$24.00 has been collected and sent in to the Grand Secretary, with more to follow. All credit is due W. Bro. Backhouse for stirring up the brethren, and I hope to find this lodge's quota fully paid up when Grand Lodge meets in July.

King Hiram Lodge, No. 78, Tillsonburg—I visited this lodge on November 16th, 1910. I was delighted to see such a large turnout of members and visitors present. Among the visitors were V. W. Bro. Geo. Muller and W. Bro. McKenney of Springfield Lodge. Wor. Bro. Dr. McQueen and officers exemplified the sublime degree of a M. M. in a most impressive and faultless manner, leaving little or no room for criticism. The candidate was well instructed, the Deacons' work being exceptionally well rendered. After addressing the lodge at some length on the S. C. B. Fund, I was pleased to notice some twelve or fifteen brethren leave their chairs and walk up to the Secretary's desk and pay their \$3.00, the first move that this lodge has made. Since then it has done nobly, no less than \$315.00 being sent in to date, and the balance I expect will be paid in by the time the Grand Lodge meets in July. I had the pleasure on this occasion of presenting Bro. Geo. Anscombe, Tyler of the lodge for some 28 years (without missing a meeting), with a beautiful gold locket, on which was the emblem of the Order. This lodge is in a very healthy state, and is one of the finest lodges in Wilson District.

Plattsville Lodge, No. 178, Plattsville—Accompanied by W. Bro. E. W. Towns, of Oak Branch Lodge, Innerkip, I visited this lodge on December 16th, 1910, and dedicated the hall. After the dedication, I had the pleasure of installing the officers for the ensuing year. I feel safe in saying that W. Bro. Johnston and his new officers will look well after the affairs of Plattsville Lodge. A better Secretary than W. Bro. Henderson, would be difficult to find. Books are models of neatness and penmanship, dues well collected, arrearages less than they have been for years, prompt at all times in his replies and returns. To the Secretary is due the credit for the increased interest towards the S. C. B. Fund. The only thing that I regretted on this visit was the absence through illness of R. Wor. Bro. Allshire, who is an active member of this lodge.

Norfolk Lodge, No. 10, Simcoe—I visited this lodge on December 27th, 1910. I installed the officers in the afternoon, and paid my official visit at night. I had the honor of installing in the afternoon the first agriculturist as W. M. since the lodge's inception in the year 1804. I was honored both afternoon and evening with a large

attendance of members and visitors from Toronto, Victoria, Delhi, and Waterford. I was particularly pleased to see present R. W. Bro. Ross, P. D. D. G. M. As this is the mother lodge of Judge Wilson, the first Grand Master of the G. L. of C., you would naturally expect some pretty fine work, and I can truthfully say that I was not disappointed. W. Bro. Schuyler, the newly installed W. M., and officers exemplified the fellow craft degree in a faultless manner on an exceptionally bright and well instructed brother, which speaks well for newly installed officers. The Secretary's books are neat, S. C. B. Fund overpaid, with more to follow.

King Solomon Lodge, No. 43, Woodstock—Accompanied by twelve or fifteen brethren from Ingersoll, I visited this lodge on January 3rd, 1911, and was very cordially received by W. Bro. Dingwall. I was pleased to see present a great many visitors from Oxford Lodge, No. 76. The work of the evening was the third degree, which was conferred by W. Bro. Geo. Dingwall. As the officers of this lodge are among the best of Wilson District, it is needless to say that the work was exceedingly well done. This lodge is very fortunate in having V. W. Bro. MacGachie as Secretary. He is an able and efficient officer, and has the welfare of the lodge at heart. He should be assisted, however, by a strong committee of two or three to collect the arrearages, as I find while they are in a prosperous condition in every other way, they are allowing the arrearages to grow year after year. I hope to find at the expiration of my successor's term the \$450.00 arrearages in the bank instead of on the books. This lodge has overpaid its quota to the S. C. B. Fund.

Burford Lodge, No. 106, Burford—I visited this lodge on January 11th, 1911, accompanied by W. Bro. C. H. Crooker of St. John's Lodge, No. 68, Ingersoll. I was pleased to meet on that occasion two of my predecessors, R. W. Bros. F. Miles and Messecar, who assisted as Grand Lodge officers. I was honored with a large turnout of visitors from Scotland Lodge and Blenheim Lodge, No. 108, Princeton. After the dedication, the I. P. M. conferred the second degree on a bright candidate in a very impressive manner. The Secretary's books are neat, well kept, but this lodge has the same fault as a great many others, allowing the arrearages to increase year

after year. This is one of the seven lodges that yet owes a balance to the S. C. B. Fund. However, a strong committee is working on it, and before long I expect its full quota paid up.

Oak Branch Lodge, No. 261, Innerkip—I visited this lodge on January 12th, 1911, accompanied by R. W. Bro. J. W. Dutton and several other distinguished visitors from Woodstock. I installed the newly elected officers for the ensuing year, assisted by R. W. Bro. J. W. Dutton, W. Bro. Dingwall and W. Bro. Cameron. The newly installed officers with some practice will no doubt prove worthy of the honor conferred upon them. Books fairly well kept, with dues on the increase instead of the decrease. This lodge has paid up its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund since my visit.

Thistle Lodge, No. 250, Embro—I visited this lodge on January 13th, 1911, accompanied by W. Bro. C. H. Crooker, W. Bro. Mac. Wallace and eight or ten other brethren from the town of Ingersoll. Only a fair attendance was present, including some fifteen or sixteen members from the two Stratford City lodges. The work of the evening was one initiation, which was exemplified by W. Bro. Mac. Fadgen and officers of Tecumseh Lodge, Stratford, in almost a faultless manner, some parts of the degree being exceptionally well rendered. I had the officers of Thistle Lodge open and close in the three degrees, which I regret to say was done in anything but a satisfactory manner, the W. M. and officers being somewhat rusty. This lodge shows signs of growing interest, though there has been lack of Masonic zeal and enthusiasm for some time. The average attendance might be better. A little more practice, together with a few more fraternal visits from lodges like Tecumseh, No. 144, will no doubt place Thistle Lodge in the front rank, where it should be. This lodge has since my visit paid into the Grand Secretary \$45.00 towards the S. C. B. Fund.

Wilson Lodge, No. 113, Waterford—I visited this lodge on February 8th, 1911, accompanied by Bro. F. P. Leake, S. W., St. John's Lodge, No. 68, Ingersoll. On entering the lodge room I was pleased to see so many visitors and members present, including R. W. Bro. Ross, P. D. D. G. M., and W. Bro. Robbins, W. M. of Frederick Lodge, No. 217, Delhi. The work of the even-

ing was the second degree, which was exemplified by W. Bro. Savage and officers in a very efficient and impressive manner, when you consider that this was the first meeting since installation. Bro. Gibson is a very efficient Secretary, and is one of the few in Wilson District that can boast of no arrearages. If Wilson Lodge can do it, why not all others? This lodge has a nice bank account, and is giving more to the needy, year after year, than any other lodge in the district. S. C. B. Fund overpaid. Much of this prosperity must be surely due to the able efforts and influence of R. W. Bro. Ross, who is an active member of this lodge.

Walsingham Lodge, No. 174, Port Rowan—Visited this lodge on February 9th, 1911. There was a very good attendance. The work of the evening consisted of one initiation and two seconds, which were all well done by W. Bro. Arthur Foster and a P. M. I was very favorably impressed with the work of the officers as a whole. I was also pleased with the great care they exercised in the ballot in the selection of candidates, one being selected out of two being balloted for. I never visited a lodge where the officers were so eager for instruction and so willing to learn. W. Bro. J. E. Biddle was acting as Secretary in the absence of W. Bro. James Ryan through illness. His books were examined and found well kept, and a credit to the veteran Secretary. I visited the Secretary at his home in the afternoon, and received a very cordial reception. I wish to thank W. Bro. Meek, W. Bro. Biddle, W. Bro. Ryan and others for their many kindnesses on the occasion of my official visit. This lodge paid up its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund shortly after my visit.

Vienna Lodge, No. 237, Vienna—I visited this lodge on February 10th, 1911, accompanied by W. Bro. Peters, District Chaplain, and Bro. F. P. Leake, S. W., St. John's Lodge, No. 68, Ingersoll. A large number of visitors were present from Oriental Lodge, No. 181, Port Burwell, and King Hiram Lodge, No. 78, Tillsonburg. After the dedication, the fellowcraft degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Geo. Vallie and officers in splendid style. The Secretary, W. Bro. Clutton, performs his duties in a very able manner. His books are models of neatness, accuracy and penmanship. I especially wish to thank R. W. Bro. Clutton for his kindness and cour-

tesy on this, as well as other, occasions. This lodge paid up its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund on June 3rd, not quite in time to appear in the Grand Secretary's report.

Frederick Lodge, No. 217, Delhi—I visited this lodge on February 13th, 1911, and dedicated the hall. A great number of members and visitors were present, the latter being from Simcoe, Woodstock and Norwich. I was delighted to meet for the first time, and I trust not the last, R. W. Bro. Chrysler, P. D. D. G. M., who takes an active interest in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the craft in general, and Frederick Lodge in particular. After the dedication, W. Bro. Robins and officers exemplified the fellow craft degree in a very finished and impressive manner. The Secretary's books are neat. The prospects of the lodge are bright. Since my visit some \$54.50 has been paid into the S. C. B. Fund, with more to follow.

St. John's Lodge, No. 82, Paris—I visited this lodge on February 14th, 1911, accompanied by W. Bro. Cameron of Woodstock, and Bro. F. P. Leake, S. W., St. John's Lodge, No. 68, Ingersoll. A very severe storm had been raging all day, consequently the attendance was very small, some thirty-three only being present. R. W. Bro. Messecar, P. D. D. G. M., came over from Scotland at great inconvenience to assist in the dedication of the hall. I was pleased to see present another one of my predecessors, R. W. Bro. Smiley, who takes an active interest in this lodge. No work being on other than the dedication, the lodge was closed. I saw this lodge exemplify the sublime degree of a M. M. at the Lodge of Instruction at Scotland last year, also the first degree on the occasion of R. W. Bro. Gaunt's official visit two years ago, and I have no hesitancy in saying that their work will compare very favorably with the best work done in the district. This lodge is very fortunate in having as Secretary V. W. Bro. Buckley. His books are all that could be desired, finances and prospects are in a very healthy condition. This lodge paid its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund shortly after my visit.

Vittoria Lodge, No. 359, Vittoria—Visited this lodge on March 10th, 1911, accompanied by W. Bros. Aiken, Gunton, and other members of Norfolk Lodge, No. 10, Simcoe. Only a fair attendance of the members were present. W. Bro. Lawrence and officers exemplified the

second degree, after which W. Bro. Pope and officers conferred the third degree. Both degrees were exemplified in a very creditable manner, and the officers deserve great praise, when you take into consideration that this was only the second meeting since installation. With a few more practices, and the discontinuing of one objectionable part in the third degree, to which I called their attention, my successor will find the work done as well as it is exemplified in the majority of the lodges in the district. The Secretary, W. Bro. Pow, is a very efficient officer, and looks well after his books, correspondence and dues. This lodge paid up its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund shortly after my visit.

Scotland Lodge, No. 193, Scotland—I visited this lodge on March 13th, 1911, and dedicated the hall. I was greatly pleased to see present R. W. Bro. Ross of Waterford, who assisted as Deputy Grand Master, also W. Bros. Hulet, Hogarth and other distinguished visitors from St. John's Lodge, No. 104, Norwich. After the dedication, I had the officers open and close in the three degrees. The officers did this in a manner that convinced me that they could do their work properly and impressively. This is the mother lodge of the Immediate P. D. D. G. M. I witnessed the exemplification of the first degree by this lodge at the Lodge of Instruction held at Scotland last year, so I am satisfied from what I witnessed there and on my official visit that Scotland Lodge, No. 193, may be considered in the front rank. R. W. Bro. Messecar is now Secretary, so G. L. can rest assured that the books and correspondence will be ably looked after in the future, as it has been in the past. This lodge paid its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund shortly after my visit.

St. John's Lodge, No. 104, Norwich—I visited this lodge on March 15th, 1911, and dedicated the hall. The night was very stormy consequently the attendance was not as large as it would be under more favorable circumstances. After the dedication, the sublime degree of a M. M. was exemplified on a very bright and well instructed candidate by W. Bro. Dr. Moles and officers, assisted by W. Bro. Couzens, who is without a doubt one of the best workers for his age that I have ever witnessed. W. Bro. Moles and officers aim at impressive work, and I must say that they do not fail in the attempt. The

degree as a whole in my opinion was exceedingly well done, and showed careful study in all its details. The Secretary's books are neat, and in splendid shape, arrearages very light. They are comfortably situated in fine lodge rooms. The finances and prospects are excellent. This lodge has overpaid its quota to the S. C. B. Fund, and is following the example set by Springfield Lodge, No. 259, collecting \$3.00 from every newly initiated candidate for that fund.

St. John's Lodge, No. 68, Ingersoll—I visited this lodge on March 19th, 1911, and received a hearty welcome from W. Bro. C. H. Crooker and officers. The first degree was presented for my inspection, which was exemplified in an exceedingly creditable manner, considering that only a short time had elapsed since installation. This was the first degree conferred by the new officers. Bro. Leake, S. W. of this lodge, accompanied me on many of my official visits, and, judging from the experience he had received on these visits, and the interest he is taking in the craft in general, and his lodge in particular, when he assumes the W. M.'s chair he will become a valuable asset to St. John's Lodge. Under his direction I am looking for great prosperity and excellent degree work. This lodge is at present flourishing; applications are coming in fast, yet they are guarding well the portals. The Secretary, Bro. Douglas, is a very efficient officer, looks well after the collection of dues and all matters pertaining to the welfare of the lodge. Shortly after my visit this lodge paid its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund.

Oxford Lodge, No. 76, Woodstock—I visited this lodge on March 24th, 1911. There was a large number of members and visitors present, the latter including several distinguished visitors from Innerkip, Plattsville and King Solomon's, No. 43, Woodstock. I have conferred degrees in this lodge room on many an occasion, and it has always puzzled me to tell which lodge I was working in, as the members of both lodges visit so much to and fro that the best of feeling, harmony and brotherly love seems to exist on every occasion. The work of the evening consisted of an initiation by W. Bro. Cameron and officers, assisted by W. Bro. Thornton, I. P. M., and was rendered with musical accompaniments, and without one single exception was the best

first degree exemplified that I have ever witnessed; no room at all for criticism. The J. W.'s lecture was exceedingly well rendered. R. W. Bro. J. W. Dutton is now Secretary, and a more able officer would be hard to find, so G. L. can rest assured that the books, correspondence, dues and all details in connection with this important office will be well looked after. This lodge carries far too much in arrearages, although I find a substantial decrease over the year before. This lodge has paid its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund.

King Hiram Lodge, No 37., Ingersoll—I visited this lodge on April 7th, 1911, and was honored with a large turnout of members and visitors from Woodstock, Tillsonburg and my sister lodge. This being my mother lodge, my visit naturally was one of special interest, being one of its youngest P. Ms. I have attended its meetings regularly throughout the year, and have seen the W. M. and officers work in nearly all the degrees so often that I am satisfied that W. Bro. Roger Miller and officers may be considered in the front rank. Bro. R. T. Agar is an excellent Secretary; books are neat and well kept, and he is always prompt in his correspondence. Arrearages a slight advance over last year, still under our new system I expect in six months little or no arrearages, as we have adopted the system of paying a commission on all dues collected instead of a salary. W. Bro. Miller and officers, assisted by W. Bros. Cameron and Thornton of Oxford Lodge, No. 76, Woodstock, exemplified the second degree in a very efficient and impressive manner. The officers of King Hiram Lodge; No. 76, Tillsonburg, were present and exemplified the third degree in the same finished, faultless and impressive manner as when I paid my official visit to their lodge some months before. This lodge has overpaid its quota to the S. C. B. Fund.

Blenheim Lodge, No. 108, Princeton—I visited this lodge on April 14th, 1911, and dedicated the hall. There was a splendid attendance of members and visitors present from Paris, Burford and other places. I was delighted to again meet R. W. Bro. Smiley, this time at his mother lodge; also pleased to see V. W. Bro. Smoke, W. Bro. Hurndall and others from St. John's Lodge, No. 82, Paris. After the dedication W. Bro. Cowan and officers exemplified the fellow craft degree

on a most carefully prepared candidate in a very impressive and creditable manner, leaving little or no room for criticism, S. W.'s and S. D.'s work being exceptionally well rendered. The Secretary, W. Bro. Daniels, is an excellent officer; books are neat and well kept; arrearages a slight increase over last year. This lodge should be moved to new quarters in the near future, as the present lodge room is far from being silent. It is to be hoped a more suitable place will be secured over some new buildings that are about to be erected. This lodge paid up its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund the night of my visit.

Erie Lodge, No. 149, Port Dover—I completed my visits at this lodge on May 8th, 1911, it being the Semi-Centennial or fiftieth anniversary of the lodge's existence. I was honored with the largest turnout of members and visitors during my term of office, visitors being present from Toronto, Brantford, Scotland, Waterford, Simcoe and Vittoria. I was delighted to find sitting in the East such distinguished visitors as R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, P. D. D. G. M. Toronto District, R. W. Bro. J. G. Liddell, P. D. D. G. M. Hamilton District No. 8, R. W. Bro. Ross and R. W. Bro. Waddle, P. D. D. G. Ms., Wilson District No. 6, as well as a great many others far too numerous to mention. After the dedication, the first degree was conferred by W. Bro. John A. Martin and officers in a very finished, impressive and satisfactory manner. The Secretary's books are in good shape, dues well paid up. I must confess I was a little disappointed when we adjourned to the banquet hall to find the check absent for the balance of their quota to the S. C. B. Fund, which would have been very appropriate and would have been a fitting conclusion to one of the nicest, finest and most successful gatherings in Wilson District during my official term.

DEDICATIONS

By the direction of the M. W. the Grand Master, I had the honor to represent him in the dedication of the following lodge rooms:—

November 15th, 1910, the hall of Oriental Lodge, No. 181, Port Burwell.

December 16th, 1910, the hall of Plattsville Lodge, No. 178, Plattsville.

January 11th, 1911, the hall of Burford Lodge, No. 105, Burford.

February 10th, 1911, the hall of Vienna Lodge, No. 237, Vienna.

February 13th, 1911, the hall of Frederick Lodge, No. 217, Delhi.

February 14th, 1911, the hall of St. John's Lodge, No. 82, Paris.

March 13th, 1911, the hall of Scotland Lodge, No. 193, Scotland.

March 15th, 1911, the hall of St. John's Lodge, No. 104, Norwich.

April 14th, 1911, the hall of Blenheim Lodge, No. 108, Princeton.

May 8th, 1911, the hall of Erie Lodge, No. 149, Port Dover.

Every lodge room in the district is now dedicated, except the hall of Springfield Lodge, No. 259. This would have been dedicated, but for the fact that the brethren are considering the advisability of moving into new and more commodious quarters in the very near future.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION

One of the largest and most successful Lodges of Instruction ever held in this district was held in Ingersoll on Wednesday, May 3rd, 1911, under the auspices of King Hiram Lodge, No. 37, and St. John's Lodge, No. 68. Over 250 members of the craft were present from all parts of the district. The gathering was graced by the presence of M. W. Bro. Judge Macwatt, Grand Master, and M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Grand Treasurer, both afternoon and evening. The following distinguished visitors were present from outside points: R. W. Bro. G. R. Lloyd, D.D.G.M., Hamilton District No. 8; R. W. Bro. J. G. Liddell, P.D.D.G.M., Hamilton District No. 8, and the following P.D.D.G.Ms. of Wilson District No. 6: R. W. Bros. Dr. A. R. McCurdy, Norwich, James Smiley, Paris, James Ross, Waterford, S. S. Clutton, Vienna. J. W. Dutton, Woodstock, Geo. Stewart, Springfield, J. C. Hegler, Ingersoll, as well as R. W. Bro. Walsh, P. G. R., Ingersoll, and V. W. B. Frank Paterson, Thamesford.

The meeting opened at 2.30 p.m. with a joint set of officers from the two Ingersoll lodges, in charge of W. Bro. Roger Miller. After the reading of the minutes of the previous Lodge of Instruction, under the direction of R. W. Bro. Messecar, the first degree was exemplified and opened in the second by the point set of officers.

W. Bro. McKenney and officers of Springfield, No. 259, assumed the chairs, exemplified the second degree and called off.

At 7.30 W. Bro. Cameron and officers called on and opened in the third degree. W. Bro. Thompson and W. Bro. Hollier of King Hiram Lodge, No. 78, then conducted a board of trial on a newly raised candidate, after which the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and all other G. L. officers, past and present, were received with grand honors. W. Bro. Cameron and officers of Oxford Lodge, No. 76, exemplified the sublime degree of a M.M., after which the officers of King Hiram Lodge, No. 78, Tillsonburg, assumed the chairs and closed down in the three degrees. At the close of the proceedings in the lodge room, a banquet was held in the adjoining hall, where 220 brethren sat down, some 30 or 35 more having to leave owing to the crowded condition of the hall. After the usual toasts, the meeting dispersed at 2.30 a.m., concluding one of the most successful gatherings ever held in Ingersoll, or in the district, in point of attendance, harmony, and correct and impressive exemplification of the work.

In conclusion, I wish to state that harmony exists throughout the whole district, brotherly love prevails and relief, one of our great foundation stones, is practised in every lodge whenever needed.

I feel grateful to the brethren of the district for electing me to this high position, and for the very courteous official visits. Everything was done to facilitate the work, and to gain from the visit that which would elevate and promulgate the teachings and principles of Free Masonry. Banquets that would do credit to the large city caterers were tendered me on almost every occasion when speeches and songs of a very high order were indulged in.

I also wish to return my thanks to a great number of Woodstock, Simcoe, Norwich, Waterford, Paris, Till-

sonburg and Ingersoll brethren who turned out in large numbers and accompanied me on many of my official visits, and especially R. W. Bros. Messecar, Ross, Smiley, Clutton and J. W. Dutton, who were ever ready and willing to render me any assistance in their power.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. NAYLOR, D. D. G. M.,

Wilson District No. 6.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Table shewing the work done in Erie District, No. 1, from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

No. of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Mem- bership		Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		Decrease during year		E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, other causes			Meet'gs held			Average attendance of members	Amount paid for relief	No. m'bers 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance	
			Mem- bership	Conf'd		Year	Year	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Deceased							Emergent	Regular	Total													
10	Norfolk	Simcoe	135	5	7	4	2	3	2	2	2	3	2	2	5	2	..	..	1	8	210	25	15 00	15	150 00	Jan.	24	11	Fair	Yes	300 00
37	King Hiram	Ingersoll	140	7	9	3	4	4	2	4	2	4	2	2	5	..	..	1	113	3	16	25	70 00	14	107 00	Dec.	27	10	Good	Yes	600 00
43	K. Solomon	Woodstock	230	29	13	27	20	21	2	1	2	1	2	2	1	7	..	4	113	30	43	35	110 50	150	450 00	Dec.	27	10	Good	Yes	1600 00
68	St. John's	Ingersoll	110	5	2	4	3	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	..	1	14	2	16	25	40 50	..	..	Dec.	27	10	Good	Yes	1600 00
76	Oxford	Woodstock	220	19	4	19	17	22	2	2	6	10	2	2	6	10	..	3	14	27	37	202 00	39	292 25	Dec.	27	10	Good	Yes	1600 00	
78	King Hiram	Tillsonburg	167	4	9	13	11	10	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	8	..	3	14	9	23	30	60 00	..	..	Dec.	27	10	Good	Yes	800 00
82	St. John's	Paris	107	10	1	10	11	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	12	9	21	18	..	28	100 00	Dec.	27	10	Good	Yes	500 00	
104	St. John's	Norwich	103	4	4	4	7	7	..	1	2	2	..	..	2	..	..	12	3	13	21	20 00	11	61 00	Dec.	27	10	Good	Yes	500 00	
105	Burford	Burford	73	3	..	3	3	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	12	12	14	..	..	27	160 00	June	24	10	Good	Yes	1600 00	
108	Blenheim	Princeton	46	2	..	2	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	12	1	13	12	..	7	85 00	Dec.	10	10	Good	Yes	500 00	
113	Wilson	Waterford	143	5	3	5	4	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	12	3	15	29	397 20	..	..	Jan.	11	11	\$420 00	Yes	650 00
149	Erie	Port Dover	74	5	5	3	5	4	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	..	2	11	3	14	29	..	27 00	Dec.	10	Good	Yes	250 00		
174	Walsingham	Port Rowan	61	7	1	6	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	12	1	12	11	..	9	18 00	Feb.	11	11	Good	Yes	250 00	
178	Plattsville	Plattsville	41	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	12	1	12	11	17 00	5	49 28	Jan.	11	11	Good	No	1200 00	
181	Oriental	Port Burwell	39	..	2	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	12	12	12	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	Fair	Yes	250 00	
193	Scotland	Scotland	79	3	10	2	1	..	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	..	3	12	1	13	22	..	107 00	Dec.	27	10	Good	No	300 00	
217	Frederick	Delhi	63	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	10	2	12	15	30 00	12 25	Dec.	27	10	1st class	Yes	500 00	
237	Vienna	Vienna	55	1	..	3	3	..	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	..	14	2	16	15	15 00	10	73 82	Dec.	27	10	Good	Yes	750 00	
250	Thistle	Embro	36	3	5	2	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	1	11	9	..	85 60	June	24	11	Fair	No	..		
259	Springfield	Springfield	61	5	..	5	5	4	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	6	..	14	2	16	20	10 00	6	51 00	Dec.	27	10	only fr	Yes	1100 00	
261	Oak Branch	Innerkip	32	2	2	2	2	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	11	1	12	10	..	100 00	June	24	10	Good	Yes	600 00		
359	Vittoria	Vittoria	55	6	..	6	4	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	12	12	20	..	40 00	Jan.	11	11	Good	Yes	600 00		

WELLINGTON DISTRICT NO. 7.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

I have the honor to present my report for Wellington District No. 7. Conforming to the suggestion and perpetual warning of the Board on the Condition of Masonry to be brief, or at least not too voluminous, I will observe brevity as much as possible and avoid entering too closely into detail.

I wish to return my sincere thanks for the honor conferred in electing me to this important and responsible office, and to express my gratitude to the brethren throughout the district for the kind, courteous and true Masonic treatment accorded me on every occasion during my term of office. I desire also to thank the brethren for the hospitable entertainment accorded me after the meetings in every lodge, many of which were sumptuous banquets in my honor. To them, and all, I return my thanks for their great kindness. Having made this general acknowledgment, I shall not further refer to their hospitality in reporting my visits in detail.

Masonry has been progressive for many years in this district, owing largely to the character and ability of my predecessors in office.

I have visited every lodge at least once, some twice or more, and found, almost invariably, the work to be uniform, and the Worshipful Masters and officers filling the different offices with dignity and ability. Peace and harmony prevail, and the district is in a most prosperous condition.

I am pleased to be able to report that the lodges generally have made substantial progress, and that the numerical increase in several has been the greatest in their history.

I have endeavored to impress upon the brethren the dignity and high importance of the Order, and have strougly urged them to study the principles and symbolism of the work.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

I addressed a letter to each of the lodges in my district, urging the claims of the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund, and impressed upon those lodges in arrears the necessity of paying their quota. When visiting them, I endeavored to the best of my ability to explain the needs of Grand Lodge, and to get the brethren to realize their obligation in this matter. I am pleased to report that in some instances there was a hearty response, and in almost every case something was done and I was assured that the obligation would be faced and discharged. I have every reason to hope that this will be done to the credit of the brethren and the honor of the district.

DEDICATIONS

Tuesday, November 8th, 1910, the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, dedicated Grand River Lodge, No. 151.

By the direction of the M. W., the Grand Master, I represented him in the dedication of the following lodges:—

Conestogo, No. 295, Drayton, November 1st, 1910.

Wellington, No. 271, Erin, January 11th, 1911.

All the lodges in the district have now been dedicated.

On Tuesday, March 28th, I held a Lodge of Instruction at Guelph, at 2 p.m. The W. M. Bro. J. A. Hewett and officers of Waverly Lodge, No. 361, exemplified the first degree in a very correct and proper manner. The second degree was very ably conferred by W. Bro. Perry and officers of Mercer Lodge, No. 347, Fergus. At the evening session, the M. W., the Grand Master, honored the brethren of District No. 7 by being present. After the reception of the Grand Lodge officers. W. Bro. S. McKay and officers of Galt Lodge, No. 257, exemplified the third degree, with the assistance of their excellent musical quartette, the whole being done with that solemnity which makes a good impression. The lodge was closed in the three degrees by W. Bro. H. L. Everdell and officers of Speed Lodge, No. 180, Guelph.

I wish to thank all for their efforts in making this Lodge of Instruction a success. It was one of the largest and most enthusiastic Masonic gatherings ever held in the district. After the usual banquet, the M. W., the

Grand Master, delivered a strong and instructive address on the S. C. B. Fund and other matters. The visiting brethren greatly enjoyed the generous hospitality of the Guelph lodges.

LODGE FUNDS

The funds are handled in a business manner by all the lodges, the money being placed to the credit of the lodge in a chartered bank. All accounts are payable on the joint endorsement of the W. M. and Secretary, and cheques issued by the Treasurer.

LODGE DUES

In the interest of the individual member, as well as the lodge, Secretaries should comply with the Book of Constitution and their by-laws and not allow members to get in arrears. It invariably tends to weaken the lodge.

SECRETARIES' BOOKS

I found the books to be well kept, some of them being models of neatness, but there is too great a variety. Two or three lodges have the same style of books, and it would be a great convenience if all were the same.

FRATERNAL DEAD

I have to report the deaths of the following members of the craft, who have passed away since the last report from this district:—

Bro. Wm. Caldwell, of Durham Lodge, No. 306, Durham, died August 9th, 1910.

Bro. Samuel Barber, of Harris Lodge, No. 216, Orangeville, died August 9, 1910.

W. Bro. Chas. H. Belt, of Preston Lodge, No. 297, Preston, died October 28th, 1910.

W. Bro. John Livingston, of Harriston Lodge, No. 262, Harriston, died December 3, 1910.

Bro. Jacob Conrod, of Grand River Lodge, No. 151, Berlin, died January 28th, 1911.

Bro. John Willis, of Harris Lodge, No. 216, Orangeville, died March 25th, 1911.

Bro. Thos. R. Wood, of Conestogo Lodge, No. 295, Drayton, died May 12th, 1911.

OFFICIAL VISITS

My first official visit was to Conestogo Lodge, No. 295, Drayton, on November 1st, 1910. I conducted the ceremony of dedicating the lodge room, very ably assisted by R. W. Bros. Houston, Cowan and Jardine, also several of the Past Masters from Guelph, Palmerston and visiting brethren from Toronto, as well as the home lodge. The first and second degrees were well exemplified by W. Bro. Fletcher, the W. Master of the lodge, and his officers. The brethren are justly proud of their comfortable and well furnished lodge rooms, which are very tasty and complete. The lady relatives take a great interest in assisting in a social manner at their banquets, etc.

Grand River Lodge, No. 151, Berlin, Tuesday, November 8th, 1910—The new lodge rooms were dedicated by the M. W., the Grand Master. This event will go down into history as a red letter day for the members of the Masonic craft in Berlin. The ceremony was an impressive one, and was witnessed by the largest representative gathering of Masonic brethren ever held in Berlin. Truly, the brethren of Grand River Lodge are to be congratulated on their handsome new quarters, which were greatly admired, and should meet the requirements of the craft for many years to come. It was my extreme pleasure and privilege to be present and assist in the ceremony.

Ayr Lodge, No. 172, Ayr—I made by official visit of inspection to this lodge on November 9, 1910. The W. M. Bro. Falconer and his officers conferred the second degree in a creditable manner. The work of the junior officers was performed with considerable attention to details. The candidate showed great proficiency in his examination. I recommended that steps be taken to collect the dues in arrears, which appear to be large, considering the membership. The Read family exert a splendid influence in the interest of this lodge. I understand that this lodge meets in the original building, which they own.

New Hope Lodge, No. 279, Hespeler—Visited November 10th, 1910. The first degree was conferred in a satisfactory manner. The brethren have the happy faculty of making all Masons who come within their

walls feel quite at home. This is due in a great measure to the active interest taken by the P.D.D.G.Ms. and Past Masters of the lodge. The records show both in the past and present the great interest taken in its welfare by the Jardine family, who are tireless in their efforts to promote its interests. Peace and harmony prevail and prosperity is the lot of the lodge.

Preston Lodge, No. 297, Preston—I visited this lodge on November 11, 1910. This was the regular meeting, and there was a large attendance of brethren. The lodge is presided over by a capable Master and an efficient set of officers. Two candidates for initiation being in attendance, the first degree was exemplified with accuracy and effect. This lodge is fully sustaining its reputation for good work. The Secretary has the books in excellent shape.

Galt Lodge, No. 257, Galt—Visited on December 27th, 1910. The attendance on the night of my visit was very large. At the installation of officers, W. Bro. Wm. T. Mitchell, P.M., assisted by R. W. Bros. Taylor and Cowan, performed the duties of installation and investiture. The ceremony was quite in accordance with the requirements of Grand Lodge. The new officers are bright and enthusiastic young Masons. The affairs of this lodge are in good hands. The best of harmony exists between this and the sister lodge. The musical accompaniments in this lodge are of a very high order.

Alma Lodge, No. 72, Galt—I visited this lodge on December 28th, 1910. This being the occasion of "Reunion and Past Masters' Night," the attendance was very large of both members and visitors. The first degree was exemplified by R. W. Bro. A. J. Oliver, assisted by other P. D. D. G. Ms., in a most excellent manner. Many distinguishing brethren graced the East. This is one of the progressive lodges, and if the present harmony and enthusiasm continue, as I have every reason to believe they will, it has a great future.

Speed Lodge, No. 180, Guelph. I paid my official visit to this lodge on January 3rd, 1911. The W. M., Bro. H. L. Everdell, and his officers conveyed the first degree, and the work was very well rendered. I congratulate the young officers on their ability, as this was the first meeting held after installation, which took place one week previous. The commendable interest which

R. W. Bro. W. G. Stephenson takes in the lodge, and the very efficient manner in which he fills the office of Secretary, adds in no small degree to the welfare of Speed Lodge. I was pleased to meet so many from the sister lodges. The prospects for the future are good.

Mercer Lodge, No. 347, Fergus, January 6th, 1911—My official visit was on the night of the regular meeting. W. Bro. P. Perry and his officers conferred the first degree in a most efficient manner. The W. M. makes an excellent presiding officer. Although the officers of this lodge were only installed on December 27th, and, consequently, this was their first meeting, the work was of a high order. I found the by-laws to be very ancient, being dated 1876, and recommended that they draft new in accordance with the constitution of Grand Lodge. I bespeak a prosperous year for Mercer Lodge.

Scott Lodge, No. 421, Grand Valley—Visited January 9th, 1911. The newly installed officers are energetic and enthusiastic. The second degree was conferred by Bro. Thos. J. Reith, the W. M., and his officers. The work was well done. The lodge opened and closed in the three degrees. The by-laws are dated 1879. I recommended that new ones be drafted. The books are well kept, and the lodge is in good condition.

Prince Arthur Lodge, No. 334, Arthur—I officially visited this lodge on January 10, 1911. The W. M., Bro. Gorvett, I regret to say, was unavoidably absent through illness. Nothing but his doctor's orders would have kept him from attending the meeting and assuming the chair. V. W. Bro. G. A. Shaver, I. P. M., occupied the chair and disposed of the business of the evening in a satisfactory manner. The Secretary's books are well kept, and the finances carefully looked after by Bro. Peter Greig, Jr., who presented a statement vouched for by the auditors, which was very complete.

Wellington Lodge, No. 271, Erin—I visited this lodge at their regular meeting, January 11th, 1911, and was greeted by a good representative gathering of members and visitors. The lodge is neat and attractive, and the brethren are again comfortably quartered, and have to a great extent recovered from the loss which they sustained by fire some time ago. I dedicated the lodge room, assisted by R. W. Bro. J. A.

Preston and Bro. John Kilpatrick of Harris, 216, Orangeville. To them and other visiting brethren, along with R. W. Bro. W. Conboy, and P. Ms. of Wellington, is due the success of the dedication ceremony. W. Bro. Abbott and officers of the lodge exemplified the first degree. Considering that this was the first work done by the new officers, there was little room for criticism. I addressed the brethren on the S. C. B. Fund, and urged the necessity of meeting their quota. The W. M. assured me that he was desirous of having it completed, and it would have his hearty support. The question of outstanding dues would have consideration, also the matter of new ballot boxes. This would be in the best interests of the lodge.

St. Alban's, No. 200, Mount Forest, January 13th, 1911—In company with some of the Durham brethren, I visited this lodge on the above date. Before I entered the lodge room, the members voted to pay the balance of the S. C. B. Fund, and informed me of this fact. They have thus set an example worthy of emulation by some of the other lodges. W. Bro. Yule presided, and conferred the third degree with the assistance of W. Bros. J. S. Ireland and Kilgour. Accuracy and impressiveness characterized the exemplification of the work, the musical accompaniment combining to make it very effective. This lodge owes much of its prosperity to the zeal and untiring energies of its excellent staff of P. Ms., who are tireless in their efforts to promote its welfare.

Durham Lodge, No. 306—On January 31st, 1911, I paid my official visit. This being my home lodge, I have visited it on many occasions. The enthusiasm and warmth of my welcome started off what proved to be a very profitable and enjoyable evening. The W. M. and officers conferred the third degree in a very creditable manner, on a particularly well informed candidate. The Treasurer's bank deposit book shows a comfortable balance on the right side, and the brethren are considering the judicious outlay of same in improvements which will give them a nice Masonic home. The W. M. and officers are ably supported by an active body of Past Masters.

Harris Lodge, No. 216, Orangeville—I made my visit of inspection to this lodge on February 7th, 1911, and was right royally received by the brethren, and especially by the veteran, always to the fore in every good work.

R. W. Bro. Robt. Irvine. The first degree was conferred by Wor. Bro. John Kilpatrick in a very pleasing and accurate manner. R. W. Bro. J. A. V. Preston gave notice of motion, making provision for the completion of the lodge's quota to the S. C. B. Fund, assuming it as a lodge debt. The membership is large, but somewhat scattered, which made it difficult to reach the individual members. The active interest retained by the P. D. D. G. Ms. has a very beneficial effect in keeping up the high standard which this lodge has attained.

Harriston Lodge, No. 262—I visited this lodge officially on February 13th, 1911, at a regular meeting. Owing to the death of Mr. Patterson, father of the W. M., of which I had no intimation until my visit to the lodge, (otherwise I would have postponed my visit), P. M. Bro. McLellan occupied the Master's chair, and conferred the third degree very capably. The other regular officers were in their respective chairs, and, considering the short time they have been in office, are doing good work. P. M. Bros. Prane, Fisher, and others, by their regular attendance, are a great source of strength. The lodge is in good financial condition, and the brethren very comfortably situated in their well furnished quarters, which are up-to-date. This lodge, I regret to say, has thus far done very little towards the S. C. B. Fund. I placed this matter before them in the most urgent manner I possibly could, and from the favorable expressions of many of the brethren, and the immediate steps taken. Harriston Lodge will, I hope, do honor to itself and the district by having a star to its credit.

Guelph Lodge, No. 258, Guelph—My official visit was on the night of the regular meeting, on February 14th, 1911. This was Mahoney night. There are many special nights, but this was the first Mahoney night. It was one of the most unique meetings held in the history of this lodge, and was doubtless the first of its kind in Ontario. After the general business of the evening had been concluded by the regular officers, the W. M., Bro. C. M. Gair, informed the brethren that they would depart from the general routine of proceedings and would make the meeting special by inviting R. W. Bro. R. Mahoney, Sr., to assume the gavel and take charge of the lodge, and he with his six sons, who are all Masons, fill the respective offices. This being done, the candidate

in attendance, J. P. H. Mahoney, grandson of R. W. Bro. Mahoney, was initiated into Free Masonry. Notwithstanding the fact that this was his 76th birthday (or perhaps because of his years and experience), Bro. Mahoney exemplified the first degree very pleasingly. Before the family vacated the chairs, they passed a vote of thanks to Guelph Lodge for allowing them to have the pleasure of doing this work. To show their appreciation of the honor, I was invited to make a presentation to the lodge, from the family, of a large, framed photograph of R. W. Bro. R. Mahoney and his six sons, taken in their respective regalia of the Masonic Order. W. Bro. C. M. Gair on behalf of the officers and members of the lodge thanked the family for this token and assured them that it would always find a place on the wall of their lodge room. Although one of the worst storms of the season was raging, the attendance was large of members and visitors.

Blair Lodge, No. 314, Palmerston—I visited this lodge officially on Friday, February 17th. The W. M., H. B. Coleman, and his officers conferred the first degree in a perfect manner. The lodge room is neat and well furnished. The membership is about 80. As this is a railroad centre, it is difficult to keep the officers intact, owing to the constant changes and removal of the members. The books are well kept, and the lodge is in good condition.

Clifford Lodge, No. 315, Clifford—I visited this lodge on Monday, February 20th, 1911. It was the regular meeting, and my reception was of a most cordial nature. The brilliant galaxy of Past Masters is quite imposing, and the interest displayed in the welfare of the lodge is an inspiration to all. Every member is a worker. During the work of the evening, the first degree was very accurately done. Bro. Robt. R. Tough is deserving of special mention for the manner in which the books and finances of the lodge are looked after.

Grand River Lodge, No. 151, Berlin—On March 14th, 1911, I made my official visit to this, the largest lodge in the district, which has over 200 members. The E. A. degree was conferred in a faultless manner by the W. M., Bro. G. J. Lippert, and officers of the lodge. W. Bro. L. Norman gave the charge most impressively. The finances are in excellent condition, and the lodge is

making steady progress. The lodge is indeed fortunate in possessing such a zealous and efficient Secretary as R.W.Bro. D. W. Houston, whose activities are not confined to any particular office, but permeate throughout every department of the lodge work. This is one of the best furnished lodges in the district. The rooms are very spacious and well laid out.

Irving Lodge, No. 203, Elora—This lodge was visited at its regular meeting, March 17th, 1911, when I was greeted by a large attendance of members and visitors. It being Past Masters' night, R. W. Bro. Miller occupied the chair, the other offices being filled, as might be expected, by the veteran Past Masters of the lodge. The work of the evening, which was exceedingly well done, was conferring the third degree. Dues are well paid up. In this particular this lodge ranks high. The evening's work was concluded by the examination of a brother who had received the third a month previously, and who proved himself exceptionally well prepared. This lodge gives thorough instruction to all its candidates. Finances and books are in splendid condition, under the care of Bro. Godfrey.

Waverly Lodge, No. 361, Guelph—I visited this lodge officially on March 27th, 1911. To say that this lodge is enjoying an era of prosperity but mildly expresses the progress it has been making during the past year. It is very progressive, and is doing good work. The first degree was conferred in a very capable manner by W. Bro. Hewitt and his officers. The lodge is strong both financially and numerically, and is considering the advisability of more adequate quarters in the near future. The present lodge rooms are used severally by all the Guelph Masonic lodges.

In closing this report I feel that I have overlooked many who should have received special recognition at my hands. I trust they will accept the will for the deed.

My year in office has been an extremely pleasant one in every respect. Any sacrifice I have made of time for the district work has been more than compensated for in the true Masonic kindness I have met with everywhere.

In passing on to my successor the insignia of office, I can assure him of a district loyal, enthusiastic and harmonious, and bespeak for him the same support and con-

sideration which I have received in such full measure.

I trust that the brethren of Wellington District have not found their confidence in me misplaced, and I wish to assure them of my appreciation of the honor of having presided over this splendid district.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES IRELAND, D. D. G. M.,
Wellington District No. 7.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Table shewing the work done in South Huron District, No. 4, from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

No. of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Total No. of all Mem.	Mem- bership		E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet'gs held		Average attendance of members	Amount paid for relief	No. of mem'rs in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance	
				Increase during year	Decrease during year																					
314 Blair		Palmerston	94	4	3	4	7	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1512	30	00	16	169	00	Dec.	Good	Yes	500 00
295 Conestogo		Drayton	63	8	2	8	7	7	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1521	65	00	21	92	50	Dec.	Good	Yes	400 00
262 Harriston		Harriston	101	2	5	7	3	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1527	129	00	26	135	25	Jan.	Good	Yes	500 00
203 Irvine		Elora	80	2	6	5	4	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1528	10	00	2	11	60	July	v'y fair	Yes	400 00
347 Mercer		Fergus	60	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1538	10	00	3	10	50	Jan.	Good	Yes	400 00
297 Preston		Preston	71	4	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1548	20	00	5	42	00	Dec.	Good	Yes	800 00
180 Speed		Guelph	106	19	15	13	8	4	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1553	60	00	21	114	65	Dec.	v'y good	Yes	1500 00
361 Waverley		Guelph	173	16	3	16	11	9	6	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1557	20	00	5	112	00	Dec.	Excel't	Yes	1500 00
279 New Hope		Hespeler	88	4	6	7	6	6	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1558	9	00	21	146	65	Dec.	Good	Yes	400 00
257 Galt		Galt	188	16	15	16	15	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1561	50	00	28	162	50	Dec.	Good	Yes	400 00
258 Guelph		Guelph	118	5	7	5	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1562	45	00	11	64	25	Jan.	Good	Yes	joint
151 Grand River		Berlin	204	15	9	7	9	7	7	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	1565	100	00	30	150	00	Jan.	Good	Yes	1700 00
200 St. Alban's		Mt. Forest	63	6	5	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1568	20	00	4	36	00	June	Bright	Yes	600 00
334 Pr. Arthur		Arthur	53	1	4	2	2	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1573	30	00	15	84	60	June	Good	Yes	500 00
216 Harris		Orangeville	161	1	8	4	6	6	2	2	3	9	1	1	1	1	1574	30	00	11	30	00	Mar.	Fair	Yes	None
315 Clifford		Clifford	64	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1575	15	00	4	30	00	Jan.	Fair	Yes	500 00
306 Durham		Durham	65	4	2	2	2	2	2	3	5	1	1	1	1	1	1576	5	00	4	23	50	Jan.	Good	Yes	500 00
72 Alma		Galt	154	12	9	9	9	6	6	3	3	5	1	1	1	1	1577	10	00	4	23	50	Jan.	Fair	Yes	500 00
421 Scott		Grand Valley	87	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1578	5	00	4	23	50	Jan.	Fair	Yes	500 00
172 Ayr		Ayr	48	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1579	10	00	42	212	50	Dec.	Fair	Yes	300 00
271 Wellington		Erin	75	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1580	.....	42	212	50	Dec.	Fair	Yes	300 00	

HAMILTON DISTRICT NO. 8.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

I have the honor to present my report as to the condition of Craft Masonry in this district, but first wish to express my appreciation and thanks to the brethren for my election, and also to those who so ably and willingly assisted me during the year, notably M. W. Bro. Freed, R. W. Bros. Hoodless, Matthews, and Logan, V. W. Bro. Wardrope and the Masters and Past Masters of the city lodges; also the District Secretary W. Bro. A. W. Peene, who accompanied me on a large proportion of my visits and assisted in many ways.

I have visited every lodge at least once, and am pleased to report that all are in good working condition and that the finances are well looked after.

A still further improvement in the homes of the lodges generally is noticeable, and a very handsome new hall has been completed and is occupied by the Brantford lodges. Electric Lodge, No. 495, Hamilton, was constituted and consecrated on the 18th October, the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master, presiding. Lodge rooms were dedicated as follows:—

Brantford (Brant, No. 45, and Doric, No. 121).

St. Andrew's, No. 62, Caledonia.

Valley, No. 100, Dundas.

Walker, No. 321, Acton.

Dufferin, No. 291, West Flamboro.

A Lodge of Instruction was held in Hamilton on the 28th February, attended by representatives from every lodge except one, which sent a good excuse, a lodge entertainment having been arranged previously. The opening and closing, and the three degrees were exemplified in full and the Hamilton lodges entertained at dinner.

The annual Lodge of Instruction in this district has come to stay, as was evidenced by the intense interest

and satisfaction displayed by the brethren. It was a matter of regret and disappointment that the M.W., the Grand Master, was unable to be present through being indisposed.

The Semi-Centennial Fund has been the absorbing topic as regards those lodges which had not paid up. Eight lodges have paid up their balances in full during the year, and every delinquent paid a substantial amount. The total quota is overpaid about \$600, although there is still a total of about \$300 to come from four lodges. Dundurn, No. 475, organized after the fund was mooted, paid in \$100. A total of about \$10,500.00 has been collected in the district. \$1,750.00 of this has come in during the year.

The Past Masters' Association is a live organization this year and is doing some good work.

Harmony, No. 57, Binbrook—Visited 12th October, accompanied by about fifteen Hamilton brethren, including R. W. Bros. Hoodless and Logan. Although the W. M. had been unable to attend for a few months, owing to have removed from the community, the P. Ms. of the lodge were attending to business, and a degree was well put on. The lodge is in a good position financially and is flourishing. An addition to and rearrangement of their building has just been completed, and it only required this to make Harmony up-to-date in every respect. The balance of the Semi-Centennial Fund has been paid to the Grand Secretary. The visitors were banquetted at the close of the meeting.

Waterdown, No. 357, Millgrove—Visited 18th October. A particularly pleasant evening was spent. Among the visitors was Bro. J. I. McLaren, Mayor of Hamilton. A candidate was initiated in a very impressive manner, creditable to all who took part. Considering the membership, this lodge is very fortunate in regard to a number of active P. Ms., but I regret the loss by death since my visit of one of the best in W. Bro. J. E. Stewart. The books show a substantial cash balance and that meetings are well attended. The membership is steadily increasing, and the material good. I had the honor of presenting, on behalf of the lodge, a Past Master's jewel to the I. P. M., W. B. Brooks. I attended a church service at Waterdown under the auspices of this lodge.

Brant, No. 45, Brantford—Visited 8th November. It was the first meeting held in Brantford's new Masonic Temple. The brethren are to be congratulated on their new home, the banquetting room as well as the lodge room being as good as any in the country. A candidate was initiated by W. Bro. Giddens and his excellent staff of officers, and I thought enough of it to invite them to work a degree at the Lodge of Instruction. Although the lodge required to pay a very large amount for its share of furnishings for the new hall, it is still sound financially, and has about \$460.00 at the credit of a special charity account. Bro. Whitwill is Secretary and as valuable as ever. The annual dues have been raised to \$4.00, and the initiation fee is now \$40.00. Owing to the heroic efforts on the part of the committee, the balance of the Semi-Centennial Fund, \$346.00, has been collected and was paid in to the Grand Lodge early in 1911. I attended the dedication of the new hall in January, where the M. W., the Grand Master, had charge. On behalf of the lodge I had the pleasure of presenting I. P. M. Montgomery with a P. M.'s jewel. Brant entertained in the banquetting room in its usual happy manner.

Seymour, No. 272, Ancaster—Visited 15th November. I witnessed an initiation, which was right up to the mark in every respect. The lodge also provided a nice banquet and finished early. This lodge is getting in a considerable number of members, and is strong financially, owns the building and furniture, and has over \$500.00 in the bank. The members have raised about half the balance of the Semi-Centennial Fund during the year and will close it up shortly.

Acacia, No. 61, Hamilton—Visited 9th December, and conducted the annual election of officers. I was enthusiastically received and royally entertained. Having been well acquainted with Acacia, and a large proportion of its members for several years, I can vouch for its being one of the best all round lodges, the degree work and other business being well attended to in every detail. A large average attendance shows enthusiasm. 1910 was the heaviest year in the last ten, there being 85 degrees worked, notwithstanding that the initiation fee has been raised from \$40.00 to \$50.00. The assets amount to about \$3500.00. Acacia does a special bene-

olent work from a special fund, this being R. W. Bro. Geo. C. Holden's special care. I also attended an At Home given by Acacia Lodge in April.

Wentworth, No. 166, Stoney Creek—Visited 12th December. This lodge has shown a marked improvement over the previous year. The degree work is well done, there are more candidates, the balance of outstanding dues is less than half as much, and the balance of the Semi-Centennial Fund, \$250.00, has been collected and paid into the Grand Lodge. As in a number of other lodges, the Past Masters are the backbone of Wentworth. I conducted the annual election of officers. A banquet followed, the evening festivities being over at midnight.

Temple Lodge, No. 324, Hamilton—Visited 13th December. Temple is still going ahead by leaps and bounds. The 1910 and 1911 Masters have shown more than ordinary interest and energy. The other officers also are capable and the lodge is full of enthusiasm. The assets are increasing, and everything seems satisfactory. On my official visit I conducted the election of officers. I have paid Temple other visits during the year and have found each interesting and enjoyable.

Burlington, No. 165, Burlington—Visited 14th December. The annual meeting and election of officers. I have a personal acquaintance with a large proportion of the membership, and know considerable of the abilities of the officers. A good, bright, energetic, progressive lodge, doing good work, and taking in good material. Has assets of \$1300.00. of which \$360.00 is cash. Worked thirteen degrees in six months. The customary banquet followed the meeting. Burlington is all right.

St. John's, No. 40, Hamilton—Visited 15th December. Old St. John's, with its large and still rapidly increasing membership, is doing a lot of splendid degree work. A large number of Past Masters take a deep interest in the welfare of the lodge, and shoulder a goodly share of the responsibilities of management. The rooms were filled on the occasion of my official visit, when officers were elected. The assets amount to about \$5600.00, with no liabilities. V. W. Bro. McAllister, for many years Secretary, has considerable to do with St. John's continued success. A motion has recently

been passed, providing for a share of the receipts going to the credit of a special benevolent fund.

The Lodge of Strict Observance, No. 27, Hamilton—I visited “my own” lodge officially on the 16th December, and unofficially many other times. On my official visit the reception tendered me both in the lodge room and at the banquet was overwhelming. I conducted the annual election of officers, and the District Secretary reported that the financial affairs were in first-class shape as usual. Assets amounted to about \$5000.00; dues are practically all paid, and, although a considerable loss has been sustained by death, the membership is regularly increasing. The work is splendidly done, the music of the lodge quartette being a feature. There are always plenty of P. Ms. to assist the W. M. in the degree work or anywhere else, and altogether the “Strict” is hard to beat. On the occasion of my official visit, R. W. Bro. F. J. Howell was presented by the lodge with a handsome Grand Lodge regalia, and I received a very beautiful basket of flowers for Mrs. Lloyd.

Dundurn, No. 475, Hamilton—Visited 17th December. This was the occasion of the election of officers, which I conducted. This young lodge is progressing steadily, and the interest shown by the officers and membership generally is very creditable. Although not having been organized at the time the Semi-Centennial Fund was mooted, Dundurn this year voted \$100.00 to the fund. The membership is increasing steadily and the work is well done. Assets about \$300.00. The members are good entertainers, and round out a good Masonic lodge.

Credit, No. 219, Georgetown—Visited 27th December. M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, a member of Credit, and W. Bro. Dr. J. A. Lohead, acting as District Secretary, accompanied me. M. W. Bro. Freed conducted the installation. This lodge is working the degrees well, and the business end of the affairs is in good hands. The assets, consisting of furniture, regalia and cash, amount to about \$1300.00, liabilities practically nil. Enough candidates are being received to do the work well, and Credit is going ahead steadily. A motion was passed on the occasion of my predecessor’s official visit to pay the Semi-Centennial Fund balance out of the lodge funds, but at a subsequent meeting was rescinded. M. W. Bro.

Freed and myself mentioned the matter early and almost continuously during the evening, and at the banquet, and finally at 1 a.m. the amount was completed and the Secretary handed me a cheque in full, \$90.00.

St. Andrew's, No. 62, Caledonia—Visited 8th February. A party of seven, including the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Gunn, drove out with me, and all took part in the dedication of the hall. This was the first meeting of St. Andrew's since installation, and the opening and closing of the three degrees was not so smooth as I understand it is now. W. Bro. Thompson is a source of strength to the lodge, and there are some other good Past Masters. The brethren are good entertainers, and, with the long drive afterwards, it proved to be one of my few late nights. I am told that St. Andrew's has had the interchanges of visits with neighboring lodges since, and has improved very much in the work. Membership increasing, and finances in good shape and well attended to.

Electric, No. 495, Hamilton—took part in the constitution and consecration on the 18th October, when the M. W., the Grand Master, was present, and paid my official visit on the 15th February. This, Hamilton's baby lodge, is growing fast, having increased the membership in eight months from 67 to 84. Assets \$755.00, and no liabilities. On the occasion of my official visit, an initiation was put on by the regular officers, and the degree was well worked. A much larger proportion of the members attend the meetings than in the other lodges. W. Bro. Miller presided at a very enjoyable banquet.

Valley, No. 100, Dundas—Visited 10th April. A special car with twenty city enthusiasts accompanied me and assisted in the dedication of the hall; these included R. W. Bros. W. F. Miller, A. M. Cunningham, R. V. Matthews and W. M. Logan. A good live, go-ahead lodge, with a good hall, well furnished and equipped, active officers and members, and a splendid Secretary. Degree work is being well done, and the membership is increasing. Finances in A1 shape; assets \$1850.00, and, which is worth noting, the only liability is overpaid dues. A balance of \$80.00 owing the Semi-Centennial Fund was oversubscribed at this meeting, and \$112.00 has since been paid to the Grand Lodge.

An enjoyable banquet and entertainment followed the meeting. During the evening W. Bro. Moss, on behalf of the lodge, presented me with a handsome umbrella.

St. Clair, No. 135, Milton—Visited 13th April. R. W. Bro. Logan accompanied me, and we found St. Clair officers well up in their work, initiating a candidate in good style. The lodge is in good shape financially, but at the time of my visit was unfortunate in that the Secretary was newly-elected and knew very little of the lodge's affairs. St. Clair improved its position considerably during the year in regard to the Semi-Centennial Fund, but there is still a balance. Milton's usual good banquet wound up the evening.

Doric, No. 121, Brantford—Visited 21st April. R. W. Bro. P. A. Somerville, V. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, W. Bro. G. M. Wilson and W. Bro. Thos. Booker acting as District Secretary, accompanied me and spent a delightful evening with Doric in the new hall. The Doric officers and members are enthusiastic all the way through. The work of opening and closing and giving the charges was splendidly done and showed study and care. The Secretary's chair is still occupied by the reliable W. Bro. Jas. C. Spence, and he shows assets of about \$5000.00, with no liabilities, and the dues from the large membership well paid up. This lodge has made a name for itself in regard to the Semi-Centennial Fund, having overpaid its quota about \$300.00, \$88.00 having been paid into Grand Lodge this year. During the evening, W. Bro. Wilbee on behalf of the lodge presented me with a very handsome umbrella. The proceedings wound up with a banquet, in which Doric also excelled.

Walker, No. 321, Acton—Visited 8th May. M. W. Bro. Freed accompanied the District Secretary and myself, and took charge of the dedication. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees in good style, and the officers and brethren evinced interest in the work. Assets \$550.00, and no liabilities, membership increasing. Owing to the continued efforts of W. Bro. Kennedy, last year's W. M., the Semi-Centennial Fund has been cleaned up, as he promised a year ago.

Dufferin, No. 291, West Flamboro—Visited 11th May. R. W. Bros. Logan and Matthews and V. W. Bro. Wardrope and other city brethren accompanied me and assisted in the dedication ceremony, The lodge

was opened and closed in the three degrees very satisfactorily. Balance of assets \$400.00. Well officered and attendance good, membership increasing. Balance Semi-Centennial Fund is now \$61.00, \$116.00 having been paid in this year. The committee is still working hard and will soon have the balance. W. Bro. A. Jones, the Secretary, has been in office longer than any other Secretary in the district, and is the right man in the right place.

Oakville, No. 400, Oakville—Visited 18th May. Twenty city brethren accompanied me, and Oakville, as usual, entertained well. A second degree was put on well by a competent staff of officers. This lodge is strong financially, and everything pertaining to its welfare is well looked after. Good Past Masters take an active interest. Semi-Centennial Fund balance has been reduced from \$185.00 to \$65.00, and the balance will be in shortly.

St. George, No. 243, St. George—Visited 8th June. M. W. Bro. Freed, R. W. Bro. Logan and V. W. Bro. Wardrope and eleven other brethren attended with me. W. Bro. Burt, who has been a member forty years, and was Master in 1896-97, is serving the second year of the second term. The lodge has shown a great improvement all round, and put on the third degree splendidly. A beautiful, well lighted lodge room, and a good cash balance help make a good lodge. A largely attended banquet wound up the pleasant evening of my last fraternal visit outside of Hamilton. St. George lost a valued officer and much beloved brother in the death of W. Bro. Lawrason on 23rd December.

The Barton, No. 6, Hamilton—Visited 14th June and conducted the election of officers. This historic, old lodge was never better officered than during the past year. The W. M. has attended every meeting and spent a lot of time on his lodge, and has been ably supported by his officers and such brethren as M. W. Bro. Freed and R. W. Bro. Hoodless. The finances are well looked after, the Secretary being one of the most efficient and attentive in the district. He has just been elected for the eighth time. There were no suspensions or withdrawals during the year. Average attendance 65. Bro. Henry Crowe, a member who has been residing out of Hamilton for a long time, attended at this meeting for

the first time in twenty-one years. I witnessed their work of the first degree on the occasion of a visit to Zetland in Toronto in April, and it was all that could be desired.

Doric, No. 382, Hamilton—Visited 19th June and conducted the election of officers. The W.M. and other officers have been very energetic, have done a lot of work, and have done it well. Particularly well blessed with active P. Ms. and an A1 Secretary. Total assets \$4700.00, cash on hand \$1300.00 They run an annual excursion to Buffalo on the 24th May, which realized a profit of about \$300.00. Doric has no dull times.

Fraternally submitted,

G. R. LLOYD, D. D. G. M.,
Hamilton District No. 8.

GEORGIAN DISTRICT NO. 9.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honor to submit my report upon the condition of Masonry in this district. I shall be brief and shall only refer to matters that are of general interest to the Craft, and shall not burden my report with incidents that are non-essential. While recognizing the power of the personal element in Masonry, yet references I should like to make to many individual Masons throughout the district for kindness and courtesy extended to me on my official visits will be omitted. Indeed, I shall have authority for doing this in the report of the board on the condition of Masonry presented at last communication of Grand Lodge at Belleville by R. W. Bro. Ponton, chairman, and adopted, wherein the suggestion is made that the reports of the D. D. G. Ms. could be "boiled down" and just as effective results obtained by omitting many details of a purely personal nature in these reports. R. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, our much respected late Grand Secretary, who usually was selected by the Most Worshipful, the G. M., to instruct the newly elected District Deputies, and who did so most acceptably for some years, was of the same opinion as expressed in the report of R. W. Bro. Ponton referred to above, and at Windsor in July, 1902, when instructing the elected District Deputies in their duties used the following language:

"The Grand Lodge cares nothing for complimentary speeches and expressions of praise and laudation for this or that worthy brother, but would rather have the bare facts regarding the condition of Masonry within the district." As I am very much prone to forget to give praise and commendation when it should be given, if I do not do so to any very large extent in this report, I shall have some excuse for it.

Masonry in this district is in a healthy and prosperous condition, enthusiasm and a good fraternal spirit

seem to be present everywhere. No discord of any account exists anywhere in the district that I know of, and I have had no complaints of any kind or nature during my term of office to deal with. Every lodge seems to be doing its best, with few exceptions, to excel in the rendition of the work, and the Secretaries of the various lodges are on the whole capable and efficient brethren and look well after the affairs of the lodge entrusted to the care. Many are Past Masters, and hence the assurance is given of this work being well done. This is one of the most important offices in the lodge, and should be filled by an expert Craftsman.

I visited every lodge in the district officially during the year, and have been right royally received as your representative on every visit. I found very little of any importance to criticise, as the officers of the lodges were mostly capable and energetic men and imbued with the proper spirit to make good Masons and anxious to act and do their part as members of our great Order.

In nearly all the lodges I have found a total disregard of the meaning and intent of section 149 of our constitution. If the intention of this section were fully carried out in our lodges no Master could take his seat without being capable of doing the work and having a proper knowledge of the essentials of Masonic jurisprudence. I know from personal observation that many examining boards appointed under section 147 do not do their duty as our constitution provides. When the installing Master asks if the Master has been examined, etc., the answer is very often given verbally by some one member of the board that the Master is proficient, etc., when as a matter of fact no examination of the Master elect has taken place at all, or, if so, that the Master has not been able to do the work, but as he is a good fellow he is allowed to be installed and no objection made. I pointed out in all my visits that this loose way of doing things should not be allowed to go on, and that in future this examining board should do their duty and report in every case to the Installing Master in writing, so that there would be on file as a matter of record the board's report, and same could be referred to at any later time and the responsibility of it placed where it should be should the W. M. be afterwards found unable to do the work. The provisions of sections 147 and 149 are wise

and salutary, and should be strictly observed by all lodges, and if observed we could not possibly have a Master sitting in the East unable to do his work or not possessing a fair share of the knowledge of Masonic jurisprudence so necessary in the proper discharge of the duties pertaining to the proper government of the lodge. I noticed in some of the younger and weaker lodges, and in some of the older ones, too, the beginning of what generally causes the decline of a lodge and ultimately results in the calling in of the charter.

First—Want of punctuality, first of the officers, and, as a consequence, of the members.

Second—Irregularity of attendance.

Third—Carelessness in collecting dues.

Fourth—Conferring too many degrees at one meeting.

I took occasion in any lodge where I noticed any of these faults to point them out to the brethren, and exhort them to avoid such mistakes. Some lodges have an idea that the conferring of degrees is the beginning and the ending of Masonry. This is a great mistake, as I have tried to point out in my district. Some Masters seem to want to crowd several degrees into one session. One degree at any one meeting of a lodge is quite sufficient. Better to confer one degree well than several in an indifferent way. If any more than one degree is conferred in a single evening it makes the closing of the lodge at a late hour, and the brethren sitting on the side benches become necessarily wearied and this is the beginning of the irregular attendance. Keep up the interest in the lodge by early closing, and in dull seasons have some eminent brother in the lodge deliver lectures or read papers on some subject relating to practical Masonry. In this way the younger brethren are instructed and the meetings are made very interesting to the Craft generally. The object of Masonry is to make Masons in the true sense of the term, but unless they are afterwards instructed in the history, the aims and the treasures of the Craft, as well as its literature, they will not attain to the full stature of an ideal Mason.

I have generally made it my business to find out where each lodge keeps the Annual Proceedings of Grand Lodge, and it is astonishing to find how carelessly this book is kept. Many lodges can not find it, and members outside of the officers, and some of the officers, too, some-

times seem to have no knowledge of the existense of such a report. I have impressed upon those lodges where I have found such a state of affairs existing how much is missed by the brethren where the reading of these Proceedings of the Grand Lodge is omitted in the lodge. Much is to be learned in perusing these reports, and particularly in the fields of "Foreign Correspondence" there is a vast amount of information placed at our disposal. Lodges should on periodical occasions have read at their meetings portions of the Annual Proceedings and have same discussed. This district neglects doing this, and I trust that what I have said at the various lodges along the line of having every member familiar to a certain extent with the Proceedings of our Grand Lodge will bear fruit in the district, and be a profit to the brethren. I have impressed upon the brethren, as far as I have been able, and where the opportunity offered, the desirability of establishing a Masonic library and subscribing for some first-class Masonic journals and in this way making Masons instead of, as I am afraid we have been doing, too much in the past, turning out Masons merely. We are susceptible too much, I fear to the commercial influence of our time which demands numbers and money. Some lodges in this district have perhaps been too much influenced by this tendency, but I can say that throughout the lodges under my jurisdiction the same are generally careful of their material and prefer to and do maintain quality within their portals rather than numbers. We have a splendid membership in this district, and generally speaking no members are or have been taken in who will not reflect credit and honor upon the Craft.

The work of the lodge is beautiful and the language used cannot be excelled by anything. It is too bad sometimes to hear officers in our lodges spoil the work or very much impair its effects by the want of preparation of it. It is the act of memory from start to finish, and the officer is repeating a succession of words merely and has no idea of their meaning apparently. The work should be given in such a manner that memory is not apparent to the listener, but the words used and thoughts expressed are a part of the officer giving them, and come from his as his own thoughts and feelings. This is the only way to fully impress the candidate. I have through-

out the district sought to impress upon the brethren the proper use of language and action in the work, and have recommended frequent rehearsals by the officers so that they may attain proficiency in its rendition.

Some of my predecessors in office have referred to the size of this district and have recommended that same be readjusted in some way. I now fully appreciate the desirability of this being done. The lodges on the C. P. R. line from Toronto to Owen Sound, beginning at Shelburne and extending to Owen Sound, are so situated that it is very inconvenient to reach them, and entails a lot of time and expense to the D. D. G. M. to even visit them once during his term of office. The lodges at Shelburne, Dundalk, Flesherton, Markdale and Owen Sound, so affected, are each and all quite willing, and, in fact, desire to be detached from this district, and with lodges in Wellington District formed into a new district, I think this should be done, and at once. These lodges are not receiving the attention they should from your representative, by reason of their location, and some action ought to be taken by the G. L. to grant them relief. I notice that the matter was before Grand Lodge in 1903, when the committee on distribution of districts reported, through M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, that a new district be formed to be known as Sydenham District No.—, to consist of lodges from North Huron District, Wellington District and the lodges I have mentioned on the C. P. R. line, beginning at Shelburne and ending at Owen Sound. This report was laid over until the following year, 1904, and this clause of the report was not adopted, but instead the district as now constituted was formed. I cannot understand why the good sense of Grand Lodge turned down the report, for it is unanimously admitted that this district is too unwieldy and should be relieved in some way.

No examination of a candidate after being raised to the third degree takes place in our lodges as far as I am aware, and I have urged that no candidate should be advanced from one degree to another without being able to prove that he is in possession of the necessary information respecting the lower degree before being advanced to and entrusted with the work and secrets of the superior degree, and that after the third degree is conferred an examination should follow to show and

prove that the candidate is proficient in the work of the degree. The neglect of this is but another evidence of our disregard of our obligation to make Masons, rather than merely turn them out as referred to above.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION

No Lodge of Instruction has been held in this district for years, and I was particularly fortunate in being able to hold two during my term of office, one at Owen Sound and one at Midland. I concur in everything you have said, M. W. Sir, in your address at last Grand Lodge on the subject of Lodges of Instruction. Some provision should be made whereby the District Deputy would have the power to call a Lodge of Instruction where and when he choose. As it is at present, it is hard to have a function of this kind because lodges are very loath to hold it under their auspices because of expense. I would suggest a change in our constitution along the lines above indicated or some such arrangement to be made in our district as now prevails in St. Clair District No. 2 as pointed out by you, M. W. Sir, in your address of last year. I intend bringing the matter up at our district meeting this year, and I hope some action will be taken along the lines above suggested. Lodges of Instruction are extremely useful as schools of preparation for the duties afterward to be performed in regular lodge, and every facility should be given to the District Deputy for holding same in his district.

Under the joint auspices of St. George's Lodge, No. 98, and North Star Lodge, No. 322, both of Owen Sound, a Lodge of Instruction was held in their joint lodge room on the afternoon and evening of February 15th. The G. M. was unable to be present on account of illness, and we missed very much his counsel and advice so freely given on such occasions. The lodge opened at 1.30 p.m., but owing to a snow blockade on the railway I was unable to reach Owen Sound until about 4.30 p.m., when the first degree had been exemplified by St. George's Lodge. I asked R. W. Bro. Wright, P. D. D. G. M., to take my place until my arrival, and he very kindly consented to do so. I was assured on my arrival that the first degree had been well put on by W. Bro. Taylor and his officers. The second degree was conferred by Pythagoras Lodge, No. 137, Meaford, V. W. Bro.

Clark acting as W. M., and being ably assisted by his officers. In the evening the third degree was worked by North Star Lodge, and was very creditably exemplified. The proceedings were brought to a close by an excellent banquet. I want to thank the Owen Sound brethren for the excellent entertainment provided on this occasion, and their hospitality and good fellowship will not soon be forgotten by the brethren of the district. At this Lodge of Instruction, R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson was present and exemplified a Board of Trial, which was very instructive. I want to thank the R. W. Bro. for his presence; his visit to the district was a pleasure and a profit to myself and the brethren. On March 1st, under the auspices of Caledonian Lodge, No. 249, Midland, another Lodge of Instruction was held. Again I was disappointed at not having the G. M. present with us, but notwithstanding his absence the function proved a success in every particular and much information and profit was given and received by the Craft. The first degree was exemplified by Corinthian Lodge, No. 96, Barrie, and the work was done in that exemplary manner so characteristic of this lodge. The second degree was put on by Georgian Lodge, No. 348, Penetanguishene, and left very little to criticise, under the capable and efficient W. M., Bro. Keefe. In the evening Caledonian Lodge conferred the third degree in an excellent manner, and W. Bro. Macdonald proved himself an expert in the work. I must thank the brethren of Caledonian Lodge for their kindly treatment of myself and the brethren on this occasion. The function was brought to a close with a repast that did credit to the Midland brethren. Much good, I believe, will result from this meeting of the Craft. W. Bro. Lumbers of Zetland Lodge, Toronto, was present and very materially assisted me at this function.

CORRESPONDENCE

The clerical work of my office has been considerable. This has been a great pleasure, and the character of my correspondence has been of the most pleasant description. The various Secretaries have been punctual in forwarding to me all notices of meetings, both regular and emergent, and in answering any and all of my communications. As I am writing my report now (June 28th) I find several lodges have not forwarded to me their report

to enable me to prepare the statistical table to be annexed to this report. I understand my predecessors have always had the same difficulty.

DEATHS

W. Bro. Alexander M. Currie of Granite Lodge, No. 352, Parry Sound, was buried on November 16th with craft honors by Manito Lodge, No. 90, Collingwood.

W. Bro. Frank Hornsby of Golden Rule Lodge, No. 409, Gravenhurst, was buried by Corinthian and Kerr Lodges, of Barrie, on August 26th, 1910.

Bro. Geo. Cook of Manitoba Lodge, No. 236, Cookstown, was buried by his lodge on December 6th, 1910.

W. Bro. W. S. Sparling died on the 10th of January, 1911, and was interred with Masonic honors at Clarksburg, January 12th.

Bro. D. G. Whaley, M.D., of Manitoba Lodge, No. 236, Cookstown, was interred in Mount Pleasant Cemetery on February 7th, with Masonic honors.

At the request of Dyment Lodge, No. 442, Thessalon, Bro. Edgar Foster was buried with Masonic honors on October 21st, by Beaver Lodge, No. 234, Clarksburg.

DEDICATIONS

I have had the honor of dedicating the following lodges during my term of office:—

Manitoba Lodge, No. 236, Cookstown.

Northern Light, No. 266, Stayner.

Minerva Lodge, No. 304, Stroud.

Prince Arthur Lodge, No. 333, Flesherton.

Lorne Lodge, No. 377, Shelburne.

Nitetis Lodge, No. 444, Creemore.

Beaver Lodge, No. 234, Clarksburg.

At the beginning of my term of office I appointed W. Bro. J. R. Lawrence of Nitetis Lodge, No. 444, District Secretary and W. Bro. Rev. E. R. J. Biggs of Corinthian Lodge, No. 96, Barrie, District Chaplain. Both these officers have rendered me valuable assistance during the year.

OFFICIAL VISITS

It has been somewhat difficult for me to visit all the lodges on their regular nights of meeting in the short

time allowed me for the purpose. Out of the twenty-five lodges in this district, only two or three install their officers in June, and the consequence is that the District Deputy can not begin to make his official visits until some time in February or March. This requires a change and if the lodges will not so frame their by-laws as to provide for installation in every case in June, the constitution should provide for it.

Karnak Lodge, No. 492, Coldwater—On September 2nd, 1910, I attended and assisted the M. W. the G. M. in laying the corner stone of St. Mathias Episcopal Church at Coldwater. In the evening I constituted, consecrated and dedicated this lodge in the presence of a large number of brethren from Orillia, Elmvale and Victoria Harbour. I was assisted by R. W. Bro. Sneath, P. D. D. G. M., and he very kindly installed the officers the same evening. This lodge has good prospects for future success and has an excellent staff of officers. Under the guidance of W. Bro. Simons, it cannot help going ahead. An elaborate banquet followed in the town hall, and a pleasant time was spent. Visited this lodge again on the 9th of March. Good attendance, making excellent progress in members and material. The first degree was conferred in a creditable manner and the Wardens gave their lectures in excellent form.

Seven Star Lodge, No. 285, Alliston—Visited this lodge on October 12th, 1910. Number of brethren present from Cookstown and Beeton. This lodge has not paid in full its quota to the S. C. B. F., but promised to do so at once by taking same from the lodge funds. Heretofore this lodge had collected moneys for this fund by voluntary contribution of \$3.00 from each brother. This had not proved a success, as some brethren paid and some did not. The second degree was exemplified in a way that showed that the W. M. and his officers had the work well in hand.

Kerr Lodge, No. 230, Barrie—Visited this lodge on October 21st, 1910. Two third degrees conferred. The officers in this lodge were installed in June last, and the lodge had been called off during the summer, and as a consequence the officers were not able to exemplify the work as it should have been done. No audit of the lodge books has been made since 1906, and the funds are in

anything but a satisfactory condition. The officers are enthusiastic and will no doubt make good.

Lorne Lodge, No. 377, Shelburne—Visited this lodge on February 14th. A very stormy night interfered with the attendance. The lodge opened and closed in the different degrees and the officers are to be commended for their manner of doing the work. Good spirit prevails in the lodge and it is making excellent progress.

Prince Arthur Lodge, No. 333, Flesherton—Visited this lodge on the 16th February. Opened and closed in the different degrees in a creditable manner. J. W. gave his lecture in an impressive manner, but the S. W. was unable to give his lecture, although I was assured by the W. M. and Past Masters that he had previously done so. From the work I saw done I am satisfied that the lodge will make good under the superintendence of W. Bro. Munshaw, who is an excellent Master and gives the work in an impressive manner. It was a pleasure for me to have had the privilege of visiting W. Bro. Blackburn, the Secretary, who has been an invalid for a number of years, and who has, notwithstanding his disability, looked upon the bright side of things, and made one feel how good a thing it is to have an abiding trust in the Great Giver of all good.

Hiram Lodge, No. 490, Markdale—Visited this lodge on the 17th February. This lodge is well officered and has for its membership very enthusiastic Masons. Its prospects are excellent, and no member is admitted who will not reflect honor and credit upon the craft.

Georgian Lodge, No. 348, Penetanguishene—Visited this lodge on March 2nd. The work of the third degree was given in a fairly satisfactory manner. The W. M. through illness was not able to finish the degree, and his place was taken by W. Bro. Leatherdale, who completed the degree in a commendable manner. It is always a matter of congratulation to have in a lodge Past Masters who are able at a moment's notice to take any part of the work and do it in such an excellent manner as was done by W. Bro. Leatherdale.

Orillia Lodge, No. 192, Orillia—Visited this lodge on the 3rd March. First degree was exemplified in a satisfactory manner. Good attendance.

Victoria Lodge, No. 470, Victoria Harbour—Visited this lodge on the 8th March. First degree conferred and fairly well done. The work of the officers show that it is an effort of memory all the time, hence the work does not impress the candidate. I pointed this out to them, and they promised to do better. The S. W. was unable to give the lecture in the second degree. This lodge is very prosperous financially, and has a surplus on hand of about \$600.00. The lodge room is a small one, but I was given to understand that larger quarters would soon be available and owned by the lodge. I was sorry to miss from the lodge room W. Bro. Wardell, who was absent through illness. I called to see him at his home and found him in the best of spirits.

Corinthian Lodge, No. 96, Barrie—Visited this lodge on March 6th. The second degree was conferred and done in a very impressive manner. This lodge has the distinction of being well equipped with P. Ms. and P. D. D. G. Ms., who are all regular attendants at the meetings and give their active assistance and support to the lodge. This accounts very largely for the very high efficiency of the work, and the lodge is certainly fortunate in being possessed of such enthusiastic past office bearers.

Pythagors Lodge, No. 137, Meaford—Visited this lodge on Good Friday, which probably accounted for the small attendance. The first degree was put on and was worked with indifference, the Master hesitating a good deal in the rendition, because, as I have said before in this report, the work has not been thoroughly mastered, and the memory is being continually taxed as the work proceeds, and this in every case detracts seriously from the impressiveness. W. Bro. Carnahan is an excellent executive officer, but has been perhaps a little neglectful in regard to getting fully possessed of the work, and the embellishment and polish so necessary to captivate the listener are not present, and the whole individual has no opportunity of being present in and shining through the words uttered. Wardens can give the lectures and the J. W. particularly well.

Manito Lodge, No. 90, Collingwood—Visited this lodge March 15th. First degree well conferred. Have very large and commodious quarters and own the building in which their lodge room is situated. Here again

we have several P. D. D. G. Ms., who are still active members of their lodge. It is always a matter of congratulation for our order where we have the punctual attendance of grey haired men, many of whom have graced our assemblages from youth. It is a delight to find with us so many "old boys."

"Always youthful and laughing and gay,

Till the last dear companion drops smiling away."

Spry Lodge, No. 385, Beeton—Visited this lodge March 13th. First degree well given. Too much effort of memory, however, apparent. Wardens can give lectures. The brethren of this lodge are excellent entertainers with song and speech and story. The fourth degree kept us till near morning.

Manitoba Lodge, No. 236, Cookstown—Visited on March 14th. First degree given fairly well. Charge was not given to the candidate, but he was referred to the constitution to find it. This should not be done, but should be given by some P. M. at the time the degree is conferred. The J. W. gave his lecture in a very impressive manner. This is one lodge that is not punctual in opening its proceedings. I was informed that this was a usual thing, and later I pointed out to the brethren how dangerous to the ultimate welfare of the lodge this practice is and they promised to do better. I pointed out in this lodge, as I did in all, the new provisions of the constitution as to the new method of balloting and desired to know if the new ballot boxes had yet been obtained. I was informed in the negative, and later a candidate was balloted for, and, to my surprise, the method adopted was identically the same as the new method laid down by G. L. In answer to my enquiry about this, I was informed that this method of balloting had been in vogue for 20 years or more, and had come with the lodge when moved from Bond Head to Cookstown. I thought the new method was so new that the like of it had never existed. I find it has.

Dundalk Lodge, No. 449, Dundalk—Visited this lodge February 14th. This lodge was late in opening and members kept straggling in until half past eight, when the summons called for opening the proceedings at 8 p.m. This is a bad thing in any lodge, and I have pointed out in every case the danger of it to the welfare of the lodge. Second degree fairly well worked.

Officers are in need of more rehearsing and then will make good. It may be said, however, that the officers having been but recently installed, and this practically the first work they did, under the circumstances, they are to be congratulated on the manner in which the work was done. Two candidates were balloted for and rejected, and from enquiry I found they were not desirable material and this speaks well showing that no chance is taken by the lodge in admitting into their membership doubtful material. I congratulated them for being bold enough to reject undesirable material. W. Bro. Vandusen is a very enthusiastic brother, and is always on hand to give his assistance and support to the brethren. This was the only lodge that examined your representative before admitting. As no one could vouch for me, it was a very proper thing for the brethren to do.

Tottenham Lodge, No. 467, Tottenham—Visited this lodge on April 17th. First degree conferred by W. Bro. Pearson and his officers in a creditable manner. It is all the more creditable when we find the W. M. a man somewhat advanced in years, and, this being so, it is as it should be given than for a young man. The tendency is sometimes to consider an officer a capable one much more difficult to get the work in hand and give it who can string off ritual by the yard. I prefer an officer who may not be work perfect, but who has a good knowledge of and can apply Masonic principles and practice in his work.

Simcoe Lodge, No. 79, Bradford—Made my official visit on May 22nd. There was an initiation on for the evening, but owing to the excessive heat I asked to have it called off, and the Master consented. I had occasion to talk to them on their neglect to pay up their quota of the S. C. B. F. There does not seem to be much enthusiasm in favor of this fund, and I was bold enough to tell the brethren that if Grand Lodge decides to adopt a certain policy or line of action it is our duty as loyal Masons, and it is an obligation binding upon us, to loyally support and help to carry out that policy or line of action. Lodge opened in the various degrees in an efficient manner.

Minerva Lodge, No. 304, Stroud—Visited on May 16th. First degree conferred by W. Bro. Green and his

officers in a faultless manner. This lodge has small quarters, but are buying another building to which they will move later. This lodge is one of the best country lodges I have had the pleasure of visiting, either officially or otherwise, and is doing excellent work. When such a well skilled brother as W. Bro. Green is at the head of the lodge, it is a guarantee that the craft will be no sufferer in his jurisdiction.

Northern Light, No. 266, Stayner—Visited May 29th. A third degree was conferred by W. Bro. Bell in a manner that could not be criticised. W. Bro. Bell is an excellent Master, and an efficient, able and painstaking craftsman, and this lodge should congratulate itself in having such an officer ruling and governing it. Several brethren from Creemore and Collingwood were present and a very pleasant evening was spent.

Beaver Lodge, No. 234, Clarksburg—Visited May 30th. This is one of the best lodges in the district, and I was royally received and entertained by the brethren. R. W. Bros. Pye and Kent are regular attendants at this lodge, whose higher honors in Masonry have not dimmed their ardor and zeal in the lodge at home. This lodge had four clergymen at this meeting, all members, which speaks well for the craft here. The Master is a clergyman, who, since being installed in office, has been transferred to London, but who, nevertheless, was present at this meeting and proved himself to be an ideal presiding officer and well versed in his work.

Nitetis Lodge, No. 444, Creemore—This is my home lodge, and I can assure you, M. W. Sir, that this lodge is doing good work. The Master cannot give all the degrees, but is working with that end in view, and I am sure he will before his term of office expires be able to do his work. There is too much in arrears here for dues, some \$133.00, and, as I have pointed out above, neglect along this line is the beginning of the ultimate downfall of a lodge. I trust this state of affairs will not continue in this lodge any longer. The lodge has a very energetic Secretary, and I feel sure he will be able to collect in these outstanding dues.

Coronation Lodge, No. 466, Elmvale—Visited this lodge June 2nd. Owing to lateness of the train a third degree was conferred before I was admitted and introduced to the brethren. A first degree was conferred after-

wards, and the work was done in an excellent manner. This lodge cannot help but prosper under the guiding hand of R. W. Bro. Sneath, who is a regular attendant, and takes an active interest in the lodge.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

I have throughout the district brought the claims of this fund before the lodges, and I have made a special effort to try and get the arrearages cleaned up, and I think the results will be satisfactory.

NEW METHOD OF BALLOTING

In every lodge I have pointed out the change in the constitution as to balloting, and have had the secretary read the new provisions as to this. Many lodges apparently knew nothing of these changes, but all promised to at once secure the new boxes and hereafter ballot as now required.

I have not referred to banquets that have been given in my honor, for the reason that it would unduly extend the length of this report, but wherever I have gone throughout the district I have been right royally received as your representative, and, what I felt at the beginning of the year would be more than I could attend to, has become a pleasure to me, all through the kindness of my brethren throughout the district and their co-operation and support. I trust that my term of office will prove of benefit to the brethren, and while I know I have had my failings, and many of them, yet I think I can leave it to the brethren to cast around me that broad mantle of Masonic charity and acquit me of any intentional acts of wrong doing, and believe that I have tried at least to do my duty.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. E. BROWN, D. D. G. M.

Georgian District No. 9.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
 in Georgian District, No. 9, from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911.

Table shewing the work

No. of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	MEMBERSHIP		E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet'gs held			Average attendance of members	Amount paid for relief	No. m'brs 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance	
			Increase during year	Decrease during year									Regular	Emergency	Total										
79	Simcoe	Bradford	76	6	4	6	5	6	1	1	4	1	12	214	19	9	.....	.....	.....	June 24, '11	\$250 00	Good	Yes	250 00	
266	North. Light	Stayner	37	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	10	11	15	16	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	400 00
466	Coronation	Elmvalle	68	4	3	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	12	517	17	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	No	No	600 00	
444	Nitetic	Greenville	73	7	7	7	7	7	1	1	1	1	13	215	14	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '10	Fair	Good	Yes	Yes	350 00	
492	Karnak	Coldwater	44	7	7	7	7	7	2	1	1	1	13	618	14	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	500 00	
470	Victoria	Victoria Harbor	89	7	6	6	6	7	2	1	1	1	13	316	23	.....	.....	.....	June 24, '11	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	600 00	
490	Hiram	Markdale	26	4	4	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	12	214	10	.....	.....	.....	Jan. 24, '11	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	500 00	
137	Pythagoras	Meaford	121	4	4	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	310	717	23	20	00	2	.....	Jan. 24, '11	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	400 00
385	Spry	Beeton	81	5	2	3	4	4	1	6	1	1	12	214	30	65	00	5	.....	Jan. 27, '10	Good	Good	No	No	250 00
333	Pr. Arthur	Flesherton	60	6	5	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	11	112	16	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	250 00	
230	Kerr	Barrie	118	19	4	1	6	1	1	5	1	1	11	113	21	20	00	32	.....	June 24, '11	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	600 00
88	St. George's	Owen Sound	178	19	18	9	4	2	2	1	1	1	14	620	25	40	00	15	.....	Jan. 2, '11	Good	Fair	Yes	Yes	600 00
348	Georgian	Penetanguishen	81	2	4	4	4	1	2	4	1	1	10	212	20	125	00	8	.....	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	200 00
304	Minerva	Stroud	89	2	10	8	6	3	2	2	1	1	213	316	23	30	00	15	.....	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	300 00
234	Beaver	Clarksburg	82	5	2	5	3	3	2	2	1	1	12	214	25	40	00	5	.....	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	300 00
236	Manitoba	Cookstown	69	1	5	6	5	1	4	3	2	1	13	417	18	20	00	.....	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	300 00	
249	Caledonian	Midland	175	23	19	16	18	9	3	2	1	1	13	518	28	60	00	24	.....	Jan. 30, '11	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	1200 00
449	Dundalk	Dundalk	43	2	2	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	11	415	13	5	00	1	.....	Jan. 3, '11	Fair	Fair	Yes	Yes	300 00
467	Tottenham	Tottenham	55	3	3	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	12	113	15	.....	.....	.....	Jan. 24, '11	v'y good	v'y good	Yes	Yes	200 00	
285	Seven Star	Alliston	84	4	1	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	13	215	15	.....	.....	.....	Jan. 24, '11	101st class	Good	Yes	Yes	1000 00	
192	Orillia	Orillia	200	10	9	8	5	3	6	1	2	2	211	617	30	60	00	57	.....	July 4, '11	\$2000 00	Good	Yes	Yes	1500 00
322	North Star	Owen Sound	186	12	9	6	4	9	6	5	2	2	214	721	25	155	00	37	.....	June 24, '11	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	1200 00
96	Corinthian	Barrie	195	2	7	12	12	1	4	3	1	1	211	516	31	10	00	28	.....	June 30, '11	\$2996 57	Sp'ndid	Yes	Yes	500 00
377	Lorne	Shelburne	85	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	12	315	21	5	00	25	.....	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	900 00
90	Manito	Collingwood	222	15	21	17	14	1	1	3	1	1	213	1023	30	75	00	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	900 00

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 10.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

On the 9th of January I received a communication from the M. W., the Grand Master, stating that R. W. Bro. Hoover, who had been duly elected at Belleville to preside over this district, had resigned on account of ill health, and asking me to again take up the office of District Deputy Grand Master for this year. I am deeply grateful for the honor conferred upon me, and the confidence he has expressed by appointing me to preside for a second term, but I am extremely sorry that R. W. Bro. Hoover was not permitted to continue his work, as the whole district would have liked him to do. However, I am always ready to serve in my humble way in the Masonic Fraternity. I have therefore done the best I could in the short time allotted me, and visited every lodge.

R. W. Bro. Hoover had visited four lodges before he was taken ill, Palmer Lodge, No. 372, Bridgeburg, Union Lodge, No. 7, Grimsby, St. John's Lodge, No. 35, Cayuga, and Myrtle Lodge, No. 337, Port Robinson, all of which he reported to be in the very best of condition.

I made my first official visit to Seymour Lodge, No. 277, Port Dalhousie, on January 25th. W. Bro. Bowman and officers exemplified the first degree very neatly. W. Bro. Bowman is a young man and very earnest. The lodge is in A1 condition financially. W. Bros. James and George Powell and W. Bro. Berry are very energetic Past Masters. The lodge is in first class condition.

I visited Dufferin Lodge, No. 338, Wellandport, on January 27th. W. Bro. Higbee was kind enough to drive me from Fonthill to Wellandport and return. As the lodge did not have any work, we enjoyed a very sociable evening, and took up the matter of collection of back dues and the balance of the S. C. B. Fund. We discussed these matters thoroughly, and I am sure we accomplished a great deal of good. W. Bro. Gracey,

P. M., is a great assistance to Dufferin Lodge. I was assured that the S. C. B. Fund would be paid in full this year.

I paid my official visit to McNab Lodge, No. 169, Port Colborne, on February 7th. W. Bro. Faucett and officers exemplified the second degree in a very creditable manner. We spent a very happy evening.

I visited Temple Lodge, No. 296, St. Catharines, on February 8th. W. Bro. James McIntosh and officers worked the third degree in a most satisfactory manner. Bro. Dr. Smith as Chaplain is a great acquisition to the lodge. Temple Lodge is in good hands.

Copetstone Lodge, No. 373, Welland—I visited this lodge February 9th. On this occasion the Past Masters worked the third degree. Afterward the regular officers worked the third degree, and both were done in an exceptionally creditable manner. We had a very large meeting, and visitors from Scotland, England and all nearby lodges. R. W. Bro. Pettit is a worker of no mean ability in Copetstone Lodge. They are in a flourishing condition.

King Solomon Lodge, No. 329, Jarvis—I visited this lodge February 10th. W. Bro. W. H. Miller and officers worked the second degree in a very satisfactory manner. King Solomon Lodge is well supported by an enthusiastic lot of Past Masters.

Hiram Lodge, No. 319, Hagersville—I paid my visit to this lodge February 14th. Through some misunderstanding, there was no meeting called for this date, but we got the officers of the lodge together and opened and closed in a very satisfactory manner. W. Bro. Selby is a very efficient Master, and Hiram Lodge is in good hands. W. Bro. Trotter assures me that they are working hard to perfect their work.

Amity Lodge, No. 32, Dunnville—I visited this lodge February 15th. As I had visited Hiram Lodge the night before, and owing to a G. T. R. train being cancelled, it was simply impossible for me to reach Dunnville until toward evening. I did not get in there until 9.20 at night, but Amity Lodge was there with a full lodge room waiting to receive me. They worked the second degree in an almost faultless manner. I was accompanied by W. Bros. Grobb and Jones. We had a delightful night

and I feel very grateful for the kindly manner in which they used me on this occasion.

Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 103, St. Catharines—I paid my official visit to this lodge February 23rd. This is my mother lodge, and I can but say that W. Bro. Sherwood and his officers are doing exceedingly well. They worked the first and third degrees in an admirable manner. Maple Leaf Lodge is very prosperous.

On March 1st I held a Lodge of Instruction in the lodge room of St. Mark's Lodge, Niagara Falls South. M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed was present and we had an exceptionally large and enthusiastic turnout. The first degree was exemplified by Maple Leaf Lodge, St. Catharines, W. Bro. Sherwood in the chair. The work was performed in a very intelligent manner. The second degree was worked by Palmer Lodge, Bridgeburg, R. W. Bro. Hurrell in the East. M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed then gave us an address on Masonry, which was greatly appreciated by everyone present that afternoon. The brethren were all greatly disappointed in the evening when they found that M. W. Bro. Freed had returned to Hamilton. I am very grateful indeed for the services he has rendered and the assistance he gave me in this Lodge of Instruction. In the evening the officers of St. Marks Lodge, with W. Bro. McCredie in the East, exemplified the third degree in a very creditable manner. I am sure that every member who attended this Lodge of Instruction was well repaid and went home satisfied with results obtained.

Merritt Lodge, No. 168, Welland—I visited this lodge March 6th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. H. J. Johnston, P. D. D. G. M., Niagara District, and W. Bro. James McIntosh, Temple Lodge, St. Catharines. W. Bro. John Goodwin and officers worked the second degree in a very intelligent manner. We had a very large and enthusiastic meeting. W. Bro. Col. Cohoe and W. Bro. Ford, Past Masters of the lodge, take a very active part. Merritt Lodge is in good hands and very prosperous.

King Edward VII Lodge, No. 471, Chippewa—I paid my official visit to this lodge March 8th. As they had no work, we went into the instructive part of Masonry, each of the brethren voicing his opinion, and I can say that I had one of the most enjoyable evenings of the year. I speak well of King Edward VII Lodge and officers.

They are quite capable of exemplifying the three degrees.

St. George's Lodge, No. 15, St. Catharines—I visited this lodge March 14th. W. Bro. Burch and officers exemplified the second degree very creditably. A resolution was passed at this meeting calling for the payment of the S. C. B. Fund in full. We had a very profitable and pleasant evening.

Niagara Lodge, No. 2, Niagara-on-the-Lake—My official visit to this lodge was made March 22nd. W. Bro. Stewart and officers exemplified the third degree in a faultless manner. I had again the pleasure on this occasion of listening to M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, and I am sure his address was thoroughly enjoyed by all who were present. R. W. Bro. H. J. Johnston, W. Bro. Varey, Bro. D. J. McIntosh and many other brethren of the surrounding district were present with me. We had a very large, enthusiastic meeting, and I can safely say that Niagara Lodge is equal to any in the district. They have thoroughly improved their whole building, putting in a beautiful banquet hall down below and remodelled their lodge room all through. They deserve a great deal of credit for the manner in which they conduct their lodge. I cannot speak too highly of their success.

On March 24th I held a Lodge of Instruction in the lodge room of St. John's Lodge, No. 35, Cayuga. The attendance was very good indeed, as the roads were in bad condition, but for all that the lodge room was filled and we had a very profitable afternoon and evening. The first degree was worked by the officers of King Solomon Lodge, No. 329, Jarvis, with W. Bro. J. Parsons in the East, and they deserve a great deal of credit for the intelligent way in which they put on this degree. The second degree was worked by Enniskillen Lodge, No. 185, York, with W. Bro. Martindale in the East. This is the first time I had the pleasure of witnessing Enniskillen Lodge put on any work, and as I considered this my official visit to them, I can say that they are well capable of handling the Masonic work. I am sure every one enjoyed the second degree. In the evening the officers of St. John's Lodge, No. 35, Cayuga, with W. Bro. Riley in the East, exemplified the third degree in a most impressive manner. At the conclusion, R. W. Bro. Hoshal gave some very interesting remarks upon Masonry, which

were very thoroughly enjoyed. This brought to a close a very instructive and beneficial meeting.

Clifton Lodge, No. 254, Niagara Falls, Ont.—I visited this lodge April 6th. W. Bro. Anderson and officers exemplified the third degree in a manner in keeping with the dignity of Clifton Lodge. We had a very pleasant evening, W. Bro. Carter giving us an account of his visit to London, Eng., and his experiences with the Masons there. Clifton Lodge is in a prosperous condition.

Ivy Lodge, No. 115, Beamsville—I made my official visit to this lodge April 11th, accompanied by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed. M. W. Bro. Freed had to catch the eleven o'clock car for Hamilton, and, knowing how capable the officers were of exemplifying the work, the lodge was closed and an adjournment made to the banquet hall, where there was a most bountiful spread prepared for us. M. W. Bro. Freed gave one of the most impressive addresses on Masonry I have ever heard. Every member of Ivy Lodge thoroughly enjoyed it. Ivy Lodge has a very active lot of Past Masters, W. Bros. Sinclair, Fairbrother and many others. I am safe in saying that Ivy Lodge is one of the most efficient and active lodges we have in the Niagara District.

Mountain Lodge, No. 221, Thorold—I visited this lodge April 12th. I might say here that R. W. Bro. Hoover was brought home from the hospital the same evening I visited his mother lodge, which was the last official visit I had to make. Every member of the lodge was overjoyed to find that he was recovering his health again. W. Bro. Clark and officers exemplified the third degree creditably to themselves and to Grand Lodge. Mountain Lodge is in A1 condition, and I see a great future for them.

FRATERNAL DEAD

Bro. Miller, King Solomon Lodge, No. 329, Jarvis.

Bro. J. H. Tallman, Ivy Lodge, No. 115, Beamsville.

Bro. Cortland High, Ivy Lodge, No. 115, Beamsville.

R. W. Bro. A. T. Simpson, P. D. D. G. M., Niagara District No. 10, Ivy Lodge, No. 115, Beamsville.

Bro. J. Lennox, King Edward VII Lodge, No. 471, Chippawa. Bro. Lennox was a charter member of King Edward VII Lodge.

These are the brethren who this year have been called to the Great Beyond, from all the cares and sorrows of this world to the Grand Lodge above, who have lived respected and died regretted.

In concluding my report I wish to again thank the brethren for the many kindnesses they have extended to me during my second term of office. While business has hampered me to a certain extent, I have endeavored to visit each lodge, although knowing that I would find them in perfect condition, as I left them the year before.

I wish them one and all prosperity in the future, and hope to meet them again many times.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. E. MERRIMAN, D. D. G. M.,
Niagara District No. 10.

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT NO. 11.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

It affords me much pleasure to present my official report on the condition of Masonry in Toronto West District No. 11 for the past Grand Lodge year. I am exceedingly pleased to say that in all my official visits to the various lodges throughout my district, I have been received in a kind and brotherly way and that due courtesy has been shown me throughout the year by the officers and members, and I take this opportunity of thanking them one and all for their kindness to me.

I wish also to thank the district for electing me to the important and distinguished position of District Deputy Grand Master. I fully appreciate the honor done me and have endeavored faithfully to fulfill the many duties pertaining to this office, and I trust that each lodge has received some benefit from my official visits. During my term of office I have visited the twenty-four lodges in my district once officially, besides making many fraternal visits which are not necessary to mention in this report.

I have found the various lodges enthusiastic in the work of the craft. It has been a continual pleasure to me to see how familiar the brethren are with the work, and how anxious to have the work done in as impressive a manner as possible. I also take pleasure in reporting that throughout the whole district, peace and harmony exist, and that each individual member feels that there is an important work for each to do.

Good business methods prevail throughout the whole district in connection with the office of Secretary and Treasurer, keeping in touch with the rules and regulations as contained in the constitution. The financial standing of the district is A1. In fact, the condition of Masonry in Toronto West District No. 11 is such as to be a credit to each individual lodge, a credit to the district and a credit to Grand Lodge.

I have endeavored to keep before the members of my district the claims of the Semi-Centennial Fund, urging upon them the privilege and the great opportunity of practicing that virtue which they professed to admire when they stood at the North-East Angle of the lodge, and I am pleased to say that my request has to a great extent been complied with and that Toronto West District No. 11 has only a balance of \$81.00 yet to pay to this most deserving fund.

I have urged the brethren to be careful in their choice of officers, for as the officers are, so is the lodge likely to be; to be very careful as to whom they admit into the ceremony of initiation, that it is better to exclude several good men than to admit one whose past life gives any reason for the belief that he may prove himself an unworthy Mason.

Besides paying my official visit for the purpose of inspection, I have had the pleasure and the privilege, at the request of the M. W. the Grand Master, of delicating Robertson Lodge, No. 292, King, Vaughan Lodge, No. 54, Maple, Mimico, No. 369, Lambton Mills, Ashlar Lodge, No. 247 Toronto, River Park Lodge, No. 356, Streetsville. Also the pleasure of being present and assisting at the laying of the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple, Toronto, and the new Masonic Hall, at Caledon East.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

OCTOBER 8TH, 1910

At the request of the M. W. the Grand Master, that Lodges of Instruction should be held in every district, R. W. Bro. R. W. Brennan, D. D. G. M., No. 11A, joined me in holding a Lodge of Instruction for the combined districts.

There were some two hundred and fifteen present, with thirty-two lodges represented from both districts. together with representatives from many lodges outside of our own districts. This was held in the Temple Building, under the auspices of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16. The first degree was exemplified by St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16, with V. W. Bro. Maccomb in the chair in the absence of the W. M. The second degree being worked by my mother lodge, York. No. 156, with W. Bro. Charles Murphy as W. M.: and the third degree by St. George's Lodge, No. 367, with W. Bro. John Brennan as

W. M. The work of the different degrees was done in a most satisfactory manner, and to the entire satisfaction of R. W. Bro. Brennan and myself, each lodge giving the new work as laid down by Grand Lodge. Many questions were asked in regard to the changes in the work and constitution. A banquet was held between the conferring of the second and third degrees, and in order to meet the expenses of said Lodge of Instruction, each lodge in both districts was assessed as per their membership. I regret that the M.W. the Grand Master, through unavoidable circumstances, was unable to be present.

It is indeed very gratifying to me to notice throughout the whole district, during my official visits, that the officers of the various lodges have endeavored to carry out the wishes of the D. D. G. M. and put on the work in all three degrees in the same manner as it was exemplified at the Lodge of Instruction.

To my mind, the first and most important work for the new D. D. G. Ms. to do is to hold a Lodge of Instruction before paying any official visits.

OFFICIAL VISITS

My first official visit was to Union Lodge, No. 118, Schomberg, W. Bro. R. W. Stewart, W.M. I paid my official visit to this lodge on Monday, October 17th, when the first degree was worked by W. Bro. Stewart and his officers for my inspection; and for an outside lodge, I must say it was done in a very creditable manner, impressiveness being a notable feature of the work, particularly by the W. M. The books are well kept, and very few members in arrears. They own their own hall, and are in good financial shape. No less than five lodges were represented on this, my first official visit. The lodge has derived considerable assistance from W. Bro. Dillane and W. Bro. M. A. Brandon, two old P. Ms. Believing that this lodge has not sufficient insurance, I recommended that three hundred dollars be added to the present amount of insurance.

Humber Lodge, No. 305, Weston, W. Bro. Thomas Kennedy, W. M. I made my official visit to Humber Lodge on Friday, October 28th, accompanied by my District Secretary, W. Bro. Ferguson. The manner in which the work was done in this lodge has seldom been excelled. W. Bro. Kennedy has made a good Master, and

under his guidance the lodge is doing good work. Books and finances are in good shape. Valuable assistance is given to the lodge by W. Bro. Gemmell and W. Bro. Eagle, one of the oldest P. Ms. in the district. The loss sustained by the lodge by the death of the late R. W. Bro. Wilby, D. D. G. M., No. 11, will be exceedingly hard to replace, and it was with deep regret that I referred to his death, according to the resolution passed at the district meeting at Belleville. R. W. Bro. McPherson and V. W. Bro. Norris prepared a suitable memorial, which was engrossed and presented to the W. M., to be forwarded to his bereaved wife and family.

True Blue Lodge, No. 98, Bolton, W. Bro. H. W. Shoemaker, W. M. On Friday evening, November 18th, I paid my official visit to True Blue Lodge, No. 98, Bolton, where I found a very comfortable lodge room, and I am pleased to say same is owned by the lodge. W. Bro. Shoemaker, with his officers, worked the second degree for my inspection, and I was exceedingly pleased to find, after hearing reports to the contrary, that the work in this lodge was done to my entire satisfaction, especially the work of the W. M. I regret that the charge in the constitution is not given regularly in this lodge, and I pointed out that it was just as important to give these charges as any other part of the work. The books are in good shape, and the receipts of the lodge are well looked after by W. Bro. F. N. Leavens. I particularly referred to the balance due to the Semi-Centennial Fund by the lodge, when the lodge promised to see that the balance was paid before my term expired, and the promise has been fulfilled.

Patterson Lodge, No. 265, Thornhill, W. Bro. W. H. Carleton, W. M. My next official visit was to Patterson Lodge, No. 265, Thornhill, on Wednesday, December 21st, when the first degree was worked by W. Bro. W. H. Carleton and his officers. This lodge being the mother lodge of my predecessor, R. W. Bro. J. E. Francis, I was not surprised to see the work done in such a manner that would be a credit to any city lodge. The charge in the book of constitution was not given, owing to the absence of the I. P. M., W. Bro. Cousins. The books are kept in first-class condition by R. W. Bro. J. E. Francis, there being no arrears for dues. The receipts of the lodge are guarded by V. W. Bro. R. S. Thompson.

This being Ladies' Night, the banquet was held in the public hall, when one hundred and fifty were present, among whom were R. W. Bro. Nichols, R. W. Bro. D. A. Ratcliffe, P. D. D. G. M. No. 11A District, who responded to the toast of the M.W. the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of Canada, and W. Bro. R. J. Gibson responded to the toast of the ladies. Others present were W. Bro. R. Ferguson, District Secretary, W. Bro. J. M. Wilson, W. M. York Lodge, No. 156, W. Bro. C. Murphy, P. M. of York Lodge, and officers and members. Also W. Bro. Stephenson, W. M. of Vaughan Lodge, accompanied by W. Bro. J. B. McLean, P. M., and W. Bro. Raymond Walker, Jr., I. P. M. of Alpha Lodge, Toronto.

Victoria Lodge, No. 474, Toronto, W. Bro. W. E. Birrell, W. M. My official visit to this lodge was made on Tuesday, January 17th. A careful examination of the books proved them to be in excellent shape, showing the lodge to be in good financial standing, with very little outstanding dues. The lodge is fortunate in possessing such a zealous and efficient Treasurer as W. Bro. J. S. Hill. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. W. E. Birrell and his officers in a very creditable manner. The J. W.'s lecture was perfect and I have yet to see the J. D.'s work done better. The Semi-Centennial Fund is paid and the prospects for the future are exceedingly bright indeed.

Alpha Lodge, No. 384, Toronto, W. Bro. W. R. Ledger, W. M. My official visit to this lodge was made on Thursday, February 2nd. An examination of the books proved that they were well kept, and the lodge is in good financial standing. The lodge is very fortunate in having V. W. Bro. Voss as Secretary and W. Bro. Thompson as Treasurer. At this meeting, as at all others, there was a good attendance of P. Ms. present, also five ruling Masters from sister lodges. The work of the second degree was done in a most satisfactory manner by W. Bro. Ledger and his officers, and I was pleased to notice that they endeavored to make the ceremony as impressive as possible, W. Bro. Walker, I. P. M., giving the charge from the book of constitution. The manner in which the candidate answered the usual questions and repeated the obligation of the former degree was very commendable, and it would be well if all

the W. Ms. would give more attention in preparing the candidate for the several degrees.

River Park Lodge, No. 356, Streetsville, W. Bro. W. M. Oliver, W. M. I visited this lodge on Tuesday, February 7th, W. Bro. R. Ferguson, my District Secretary, accompanying me. There was a good attendance of members, and the work of the first degree was well exemplified by the W. M. and his officers. In fact, there was very little I could say in the way of criticising the work. W. Bro. Oliver makes a good Master, and the J. W.'s lecture was delivered in the most impressive manner, as was the charge by V. W. Bro. Taylor, an old and very much respected P. M. This lodge has moved into new quarters and their hall had not been dedicated at this date. There is still a balance due the Semi-Centennial Fund, which will soon be paid. The books are well kept, and the future looks bright.

Having reported in my third quarterly report to the Grand Master that River Park Lodge had moved into new lodge rooms, and that the same had not been dedicated, at his request I again visited this Lodge on Tuesday, May 9th, accompanied by my District Secretary, W. Bro. Ferguson, and W. Bro. Downer, W. M. of Corinthian Lodge, and others, for the purpose of dedicating River Park Lodge, when I was assisted by R. W. Bro. W. H. McFadden, P. D. D. G. M., No. 11 District, and W. Bros. J. R. Fallis, J. J. Manning, A. J. Hood, Dr. French from Ionic Lodge, Brampton; W. Bros. Dr. Brill and Sabiston of Mimico Lodge, Lambton Mills; W. Bro. J. O. Proctor of Peel Lodge, Caledon East; V. W. Bro. Taylor, W. Bros. T. W. Leggert, Church, T. H. Goodison, James Miller, and T. L. Kennedy, of River Park Lodge, Streetsville. After the conclusion of this ceremony light refreshments were served.

King Solomon Lodge, No. 22, Toronto, W. Bro. John Tanner, W. M. Being the oldest lodge in the district, my official visit was made to this lodge on Thursday, February 9th. I was pleased to meet R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, the D.G.M., also many other faithful P. Ms. of this lodge, who continue to take an active interest in the welfare of the lodge. There was a good attendance of members, and for my inspection the work of the first degree was worked by Bro. John Tanner and his officers in a most satisfactory manner. Indeed, I

would have been very much disappointed had the work been otherwise from this old lodge. The work of the W. M. was about perfect, while the J. W.'s lecture was given in a very impressive manner, and the charge from the constitution was given by W. Bro. Stinson in a most pleasing manner. The finances are in good condition. Both the Secretary and the Treasurer are efficient officers. I was exceedingly pleased to see by their financial statement showing the large amount this old lodge pays out to charitable institutions annually.

Peel Lodge, No. 468, Caledon East, W. Bro. John Carr, W. M. This lodge was officially visited at its regular meeting on Friday, February 10th, when a good number were present. The work of the first degree was worked by the W. M. and his officers for my inspection. The work of the W. M. was exceedingly good, giving the charge from the constitution in a very satisfactory manner. The J. W.'s work was very disappointing, being unable to give the lecture and apparently careless in all the degree. The books are well kept by Bro. Phillips and the financial standing of the lodge is in excellent shape. It was my duty to direct the Treasurer that all money belonging to the lodge must be placed in a chartered bank, and all accounts paid out by cheque, according to the constitution. This lodge is to be congratulated on their new enterprise of building a beautiful hall for themselves.

Ionic Lodge, No 229. Brampton, W. Bro. J. R. Fallis, W. M. I made my official visit to this lodge on Tuesday, February 21st, and spent a most enjoyable evening, having the pleasure of visiting this lodge the same evening that they were honored with a fraternal visit from W. Bro. Ledger, officers and members of Alpha Lodge, numbering nearly one hundred. R. W. Bro. Tait, on behalf of the officers and members of Alpha Lodge, presented Ionic Lodge with a beautiful set of silver mounted gavels. For my inspection, the work of the third degree was conferred and I can safely say that it was exemplified in a manner I have seldom seen excelled, every officer performing his work in such a manner as to show that he had careful training. The lodge may be justly proud of having R. W. Bro. W. H. McFadden, P. D. D. G. M., as their Secretary, whose books are a model of neatness and accuracy. The finances of the lodge are in

good shape, with no arrears. A good example for other lodges to copy.

University Lodge, U. D., Toronto, W. Bro. T. Eakin, W. M. This being the youngest lodge in my district, I was interested and pleased to visit it on Friday, February 24th, to inspect the work. While this is the youngest lodge in my district, yet there are several P. Ms. who render valuable assistance. During the evening the W. M. presented M. W. Bro. Hon. J. M. Gibson with a handsome fitted travelling bag as an expression of the appreciation of the members to the M. W. Brother for his invaluable assistance in the formation of University Lodge and the honor done them in acting as its first W. M. For my inspection, the work of the first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Eakin and his officers in a most satisfactory manner. The Secretary's books are well kept, the finances being looked after by V. W. Bro. Dill. This lodge has made a good beginning, and I predict a great future for University Lodge.

Harmony Lodge, No. 438, Toronto, W. Bro. T. Miles Kinsman W. M. I officially visited this lodge for the purpose of inspection on Monday, February 27th, having the pleasure of being introduced by an old friend, W. Bro. Repath. There was a very large turnout of the members, including many P. Ms. The lodge was honored at this meeting with fraternal visits from W. Bro. Ledger of Alpha Lodge, W. Bro. Downer of Corinthian Lodge, and W. Bro. Lynn, W. M. of Wilson Lodge, accompanied by their officers and members. The work of the first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Kinsman and his officers in an exceptionally able manner, every officer doing his work in such a manner as to meet with my approval. The lodge books are in excellent shape, complying in every respect to the constitution, and the financial standing is such as to reflect great credit on the officers and members of Harmony Lodge. Am exceedingly pleased to report that this lodge during the present year has paid its full share to the Semi-Centennial Fund.

Blackwood Lodge, No. 311, Woodbridge, W. Bro. H. N. Schmidt, W. M. On Friday, March 10th, I had the pleasure of making my official visit to this lodge, accompanied by W. Bro. Raymond Walker, Jr., I. P. M. of Alpha Lodge, Toronto. This lodge has a very comfortable home, having made their last payment, and are now

endeavoring to raise their balance in connection with the Semi-Centennial Fund, which they are desirous of completing before Grand Lodge meets again. I had the honor of being introduced by W. Bro. Norton and received in the usual manner by the W. M. W. Bro. Schmidt and his officers exemplified the work of the first degree for my inspection, and while the work was not quite perfect, yet I must say that it was more on account of nervousness on the part of the W. M. and for want of practice than due to ignorance of the proper way, this being his first initiation since his election. I am pleased to report that the lectures are delivered in both degrees. The books of the Secretary are in good shape. I regret that I have to report that the money is not placed in a chartered bank by the Treasurer and paid out by cheque according to the constitution. This I ordered to be done. Since visiting this lodge I am pleased to learn that the balance due Semi-Centennial Fund has been paid up.

Robertson Lodge, No. 292, King, W. Bro. McDonald, W. M. I made my official visit to this lodge at their regular meeting on Monday, March 13th. There were not so many of the members present as I had expected to meet; this, however, was owing to the bad state of the roads. The books of the lodge are well kept by W. Bro. A. Carley, one of the oldest and most respected Masons in the district. The finances are in good shape, and the lodge is to be congratulated on their new enterprise of purchasing the hall they now meet in. The first degree was worked by the W. M. and his officers for my inspection, which was done in a very creditable manner, considering that this was the second initiation this year, the J. W.'s lecture being specially well rendered, after two first degrees and one second. I had the honor, by request of the M. W. the Grand Master, of dedicating this very old hall, assisted by W. Bro. Abraham Carley, W. Bro. Robert Ferguson, of York Lodge, No. 156, W. Bro. Archy McCallum, W. Bro. Raymond Walker, Jr., Alpha Lodge, W. Bro. George Eakin, W. Bro. M. P. Wood, W. Bro. Alfred Curran, Occident Lodge, and W. Bro. George Stone.

Vaughan Lodge, No. 54, Maple, W. Bro. John McDonald, W. M. This is the second oldest lodge in the district, and its reputation is known throughout the district for its good work. The books of the lodge are in

splendid shape, being kept by W. Bro. James B. McLean, who is a tower of strength to the lodge. The finances are good, and the Semi-Centennial Fund all paid up. The work of the first degree was exemplified for my inspection, and was done in a manner that was a credit to the W. M. and officers. The J. W.'s lecture was given in a very effective manner, every officer performing his duty well; in fact the only fault I could find was with the manner in which the J. D. conducted the candidate. W. Bro. McLean delivered the charge in the constitution. After the work of the first degree, I had the honor of dedicating this very old lodge at the request of the M. W. the Grand Master, being assisted by the following brethren: W. Bro. Geo. McLeish as D.G.M.; R. W. Bro. H. A. Nichols, V. W. Bro. R. S. Thompson, W. Bro. W. Birchard, R. W. Bro. J. E. Frances, W. Bros. S. E. Braund, Raymond Walker, Jr., D. Hill, George Newberry, W. H. Carleton, H. Legg, T. Cousin, J. Kaiser, J. Kirby, J. B. McLean and J. T. Saigeon. After the dedication was over a sumptuous banquet was held in the hall, supplied by the lady friends of the lodge, when a very enjoyable evening was brought to a close.

Occident Lodge, No. 346, Toronto, W. Bro. W. R. Hardy, W. M. My official visit was made to this lodge on Wednesday, March 15th. I was pleased to meet R. W. Bro. E. J. B. Duncan, P. D. D. G. M., in his mother lodge, and having the honor of being introduced by him to the W. M. and members. The books kept by the Secretary, Bro. C. C. Wightman and the Treasurer, V. W. Bro. Charlton, were very satisfactory to me, being the model of neatness and complying in every respect with the constitution. Finances are in very good shape, the Semi-Centennial Fund being paid up in full. The closing of the degrees was of the highest standard, and the exemplification of the second degree as presented by the W. M. and his officers left nothing to be desired, and I am sure it cannot be but pleasing to the P. Ms. and brethren who have watched over this lodge since its inception to witness the efficiency it has attained.

York Lodge, No. 156, North Toronto, W. Bro. John M. Wilson, W. M. I made my official visit to this, my mother lodge, on Friday, the 17th of March, when I was greeted by the W. M. and officers and members of York Lodge. I find that the books are well and care-

fully kept by Bro. Harry Cooper, the Secretary, and the finances of the lodge carefully watched over by R. W. Bro. R. W. Hull, the Treasurer. The membership of this lodge is increasing rapidly. The finances are in good shape, and the prospects for the future are bright, the Semi-Centennial fund having been paid up in full during the present year. There was a large turnout of members, including the following P.Ms: R. W. Bro. R. W. Hull, V. W. Bro. C. C. Norris, V. W. Bro. D. Robertson, W. Bros. R. J. Gibson, R. J. Ferguson, Walter Muston, Thomas Hern, and W. Hofland. The work of the evening consisted in the initiation of a candidate, which was well done, each officer doing his part well, and especially the J. D.'s work. While the lecture of the J. W. was given in an impressive manner, I do not approve of taking the candidate around the lodge room during the lecture. W. Bro. Wilson makes a genial Master, and the manner in which he conducts the business and exemplifies the various degrees is very gratifying to the P. Ms. and members of this lodge.

Zetland Lodge, No. 326, Toronto, W. Bro. F. Judd Kennedy, W. M. I paid my official visit to this lodge for the purpose of inspection, on their regular meeting, Friday, March 24th. Here a goodly number of P. Ms. remain in active service. This is the largest lodge in the jurisdiction, and was also the first lodge to pay their full share of the Semi-Centennial Fund, amounting to \$1301.50. The financial standing of the lodge is exceedingly good, and the books, kept by V. W. Bro. John H. McCabe, the Secretary, are such that it is indeed a great pleasure to look over them. The lodge is very fortunate in having two such efficient officers as M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone as Treasurer and V. W. Bro. J. H. McCabe as Secretary. The outstanding dues are exceedingly small, considering such a large membership. At this meeting I had the pleasure of witnessing the exemplification of the first degree by the P. Ms. of the lodge, which was done in a very creditable manner, showing the active interest they still take in the work. For my inspection the work of the first degree was exemplified in an exceptionally able manner by W. Bro. F. Judd Kennedy and his officers, every officer doing his work in a manner seldom excelled. The J. W.'s lecture was admirably delivered by Bro.

Marshall McGregor, and the work of the J. D. was excellent and performed with military precision, the officers being assisted in the work by a good choir, adding to the impressiveness of the ceremony.

Ashlar Lodge, No. 247, Toronto, W. Bro. George Barron, W. M. My visit of inspection was made to this lodge on their regular meeting held on Tuesday, March 28th. The books of the lodge are well kept by Bro. W. H. Lyon, the Secretary, assisted by W. Bro. W. H. Best, who has taken a great interest in the welfare of Ashlar Lodge for many years. The outstanding dues are exceedingly small for such a large membership. The financial standing of the lodge is very good, the finances being well taken care of by M. W. Bro. B. Allen, P. G. M. W. Bro. Barron and his officers worked the second degree for my inspection. As a rule this degree is seldom put on for the D. D. G. M. to inspect, many lodges preferring to work the first or third degree. This degree was worked in such a manner that it was indeed a pleasure to witness, and proves that the second degree is just as impressive as either the first or third when worked in such an efficient manner as it was done by W. Bro. Barron and his officers, assisted by their splendid choir. It is impossible for me to mention any individual officer, as each one did his work faultlessly. On Tuesday, April 25th, I also visited this lodge for the purpose of dedicating the lodge rooms, at the request of the M. W. the Grand Master, when I was assisted by the following brethren: V. W. Bro. McQuillan, R. W. Bros. A. F. Webster, Curran Morrison and J. S. Dewar, V. W. Bro. Wm. Farncomb, Wor. Bros. W. J. Best, Thomas Reid, John Shaw, G. S. Percy, Knowles and Miller, the choir rendering very appropriate music for this occasion.

Rehoboam Lodge, No. 65, Toronto, W. Bro. Wm. Croft, W. M. I visited this lodge for the purpose of inspection on Thursday, April 6th, their regular night of meeting, when a great many visitors were present, including present and past Grand Lodge officers, also R. W. Bro. R. W. Brennan, D. D. G. M., Toronto East No. 11A. I had the pleasure of being introduced together with R. W. Bros. Brennan, D. D. G. M., W. D. McPherson, Harry Taylor, and James Haywood, P. D. D. G. M., No. 11, and V. W. Bro. A. Maccoomb, Assistant Grand Secretary, and the reception accorded me was very

enthusiastic. The work of the entire apprentice degree was exemplified for my inspection, and I am pleased to be able to report that the work was done in a manner that was perfectly satisfactory to me and met with my approval. The work of W. Bro. Croft was given in a distinct and conversational manner, and the lecture given by the J. W. was well done and correctly given. In fact the work of all the officers was done in an exceptional manner, and the charge from the constitution was given in a pleasing way by W. Bro. Young, I. P. M. The lodge has one of the largest choirs in the district, and the assistance given by the choir added considerably to the impressiveness of the ceremony. One of my pleasing duties was to examine the books, and I must confess that the lodge is very fortunate in having W. Bro. Mitchell as their Secretary, his books being a model of neatness, showing at a glance the financial standing, which is exceptionally good, with practically no members in arrears over one year, and I can safely say that for efficiency, hospitality and good Masonic work, Rehoboam ranks among the first lodges in my district. This lodge has completed its quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund during the present year.

Stanley Lodge, No. 426, Toronto, W. Bro. Edward Irwin, W. M. I made my official visit to this lodge at their regular meeting on Tuesday, April 4th, unfortunately, a disagreeable evening. However, the keen interest the members take in this lodge was fully proven when the register showed one hundred and fifteen in attendance, including some visitors from sister lodges. This lodge, like many others, has two efficient officers as Secretary and Treasurer, and the books are kept in such a manner that it is worthy to be copied. The financial standing is exceedingly good. I had the privilege of congratulating this lodge upon the active part they have taken in connection with the Semi-Centennial Fund during the present year by paying off the balance due to this very important fund. The work of the first degree was put on for my inspection by the W. M. and his officers, and was done in such a manner as to meet with my approval. The lecture given by the J. W. was impressively and correctly given. In fact, every officer's work from the I. G. up to the beautiful charge in the constitution given by W. Bro. Gourley, I. P. M., was well done and

W. Bro. Irwin, W. M., is to be congratulated upon having such a fine set of officers to assist him in the work. The choir also was exceptionally good, and added greatly to the impressiveness of the ceremony.

Mimico Lodge, No. 369, Lambton Mills, W. Bro. Wm. Black, W. M. My official visit to this lodge was made at their regular meeting, Tuesday, April the 11th. On this occasion W. Bro. Ledger, officers and members of Alpha Lodge were paying a fraternal visit. The first degree was worked for my inspection, and was done in such a manner as to meet my approval, it being my duty to call attention to but few inaccuracies. The J. W.'s lecture was very good, as was also the work of the J. D. The books are in excellent shape, and the financial standing very good. At the request of the M. W. the Grand Master, I had the honor of dedicating this lodge after the degree was completed, and was assisted by W. Bro. R. Ferguson, District Secretary, P. M. York Lodge, W. Bros. W. R. Ledger, Raymond Walker, and R. E. Post, Alpha Lodge, J. Guardhouse, Humber Lodge, E. Bull, Thomas Tier, George Aymer and G. Brown, Mimico Lodge. After the dedicatory service was over, the brethren sat down to refreshments, and during the evening an entertaining program was rendered. Altogether a very pleasant and profitable evening was spent among the members of this lodge.

Wilson Lodge, No. 86, Toronto, W. Bro. D. A. Lynn, W. M. I paid my official visit to this lodge on Tuesday, April 18th. I was received by the W. M. and brethren in a very enthusiastic manner, and fully appreciated the kindness and thoughtfulness of the officers and members of Wilson Lodge as shown to me on this, my official visit, the lodge room being beautifully decorated with flowers. The work for the evening was two firsts, the W. M. being assisted by the visiting Masters of sister lodges with the first candidate, while the W. M. and his officers exemplified the full work on the second candidate. The work was done in a manner which met with my approval, and I took great pleasure in congratulating the lodge upon its efficient staff of officers. The arrears of dues are very small, and the financial standing of the lodge is exceedingly good and the amount paid out for charitable purposes commendable. The usual banquet was held, when a very entertaining program was rendered, intermingled with speeches.

Corinthian Lodge, No. 481, Toronto, W. Bro. J. H. Downer, W. M. I had the pleasure of paying my official visit to this lodge on Thursday, May the 12th, and was received in a kindly manner by the W. M. During all my official visits it has been my custom to be at the lodge room at 7.15 for the purpose of examining the books in order to report to the lodge at the same time as I report on the work as exemplified. The books of this lodge are kept in perfect order by W. Bro. Corton, and the finances looked after by W. Bro. Stephens, one of the most respected P. Ms. in Corinthian Lodge. The work of the evening consisted of the first degree, which was worked by W. Bro. Downer and his officers in a manner which met with my approval, the W. M. doing his part in a nice conversational manner, with the candidate closely following every word. The J. W.'s lecture was exceedingly well rendered, as was the work of the other officers, while the charge in the book of constitution was given in an impressive manner by W. Bro. Stephens. The ceremony throughout was very impressive, being assisted by a splendid choir. The financial standing of the lodge is good. At this meeting I had the pleasure on behalf of the W. M. of presenting to the trustees of the lodge a beautiful baton, together with a set of wands and working tools, the usual banquet following.

In conclusion, I desire to thank all the brethren who accompanied me on my official visits, and in this connection I wish to make special mention of the valuable services rendered me by W. Bro. Robert Ferguson, my District Secretary.

Fraternally submitted.

A. J. BROWN, D. D. G. M.,

Toronto West District No. 11.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Table showing the work done in Toronto West District, No. 11, from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

No. of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Total No. of all Mem.	Decrease during year	Mem- bership.	Degree's			Res-torations	Res-torations	SUSPENSIONS, N.P.D.	SUSPENSIONS, OTHER CAUSES	Meet'gs held			Average atten-dance of members	Amount paid for relief	No. m'et'rs 12 m'ths in ar'r's	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance	
						E. A.	F. C.	M. M.					Regular	Emergent	Total										
22	K. Solomon's	Toronto	302	..	15	20	20	11	1	3	5	1	7	11	8	19	69	555	00	..	..	..	..	1500 00	
54	Vaughan	Maple	42	..	2	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	2	13	13	14	..	7	00	6	..	..	..	100 00	
65	Rehoboam	Toronto	445	37	36	31	28	8	4	4	..	..	3	11	23	34	100	260	12	9	..	..	..	200 00	
86	Wilson	Toronto	354	22	16	19	28	28	1	2	13	..	3	3	10	7	169	153	00	29	..	..	..	400 00	
98	True Blue	Bolton	58	3	8	3	4	5	..	5	..	..	3	3	12	1	13	10	..	..	..	..	800 00		
118	Union	Schomberg	61	9	9	9	6	..	..	..	..	..	2	12	4	16	27	..	..	..	..	..	..	800 00	
156	York	Town of N. Tor.	210	23	20	22	28	3	..	4	..	..	2	12	16	28	70	27	03	13	..	..	..	400 00	
229	Tonic	Brampton	116	11	2	10	8	1	..	1	..	..	3	10	3	35	26	45	00	1	..	..	..	400 00	
247	Ashlar	Toronto	373	14	18	20	15	5	1	7	..	..	2	12	4	16	20	215	75	14	..	..	..	400 00	
265	Patterson	Phornhill	44	3	3	3	3	3	..	1	..	..	1	2	10	1	11	12	5	00	7	..	..	400 00	
292	Robertson	King	75	8	1	4	3	2	4	1	..	..	4	10	10	20	75	240	00	7	..	..	..	400 00	
305	Humber	Weston	314	23	26	24	16	4	2	5	..	..	2	12	3	15	14	57	00	4	..	..	..	400 00	
346	Occident	Toronto	64	8	7	4	1	1	1	..	..	..	2	12	3	15	14	57	00	4	..	..	..	400 00	
356	River Park	Streetsville	170	9	6	11	5	3	2	1	4	..	1	2	12	18	30	117	360	00	33	..	..	400 00	
369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	423	33	33	31	31	13	..	2	1	..	3	12	19	31	160	130	00	20	..	..	..	400 00	
384	Alpha	Toronto	317	26	26	26	24	2	..	3	..	..	2	10	11	21	67	435	84	11	..	..	..	400 00	
426	Stanley	Toronto	380	13	25	27	32	4	10	4	..	..	1	11	11	4	15	15	..	..	..	..	..	400 00	
438	Harmony	Toronto	52	3	5	3	4	3	7	1	5	..	1	10	9	19	23	..	..	..	..	..	..	400 00	
468	Peel	aledon East	94	10	7	10	8	12	..	1	..	..	8	9	17	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	400 00	
481	Corinthian	Toronto	68	5	5	4	4	..	..	1	..	..	11	11	12	14	..	364	00	8	..	..	..	400 00	
496	University	Toronto	97	24	17	13	12	7	..	1	..	..	4	10	5	15	147	364	00	17	..	..	..	400 00	
511	Blackwood	Woodbridge	547	12	14	13	18	1	1	2	2	..	1	4	10	5	15	147	364	00	..	..	..	..	400 00
526	Zetland	Toronto	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	6	8	14	53	50	00	..	..	..	400 00	
474	Victoria	Toronto	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	400 00	

TORONTO EAST DISTRICT NO. 11A.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honor to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in the Toronto East District No. 11A.

During my year of office I have visited all the lodges in the district, some of them several times, and I am pleased to report that with one or two exceptions the lodges have experienced a year of great prosperity.

On assuming office, I drafted a circular letter to the lodges of the district, pointing out among other things that Masonic prosperity should not be measured by numbers, but rather by the quality of the men gaining admission to our ranks, that any other standard than the true worth of the applicant was a false standard, and that these lodges only were truly successful, were really growing in strength and usefulness that were admitting to their numbers men of the very best quality, and I am pleased to state that I was most favourably impressed during my visit with the stamp of men who were being admitted to membership.

While it is pleasing to note that the candidates accepted were in every respect desirable, it is also pleasing to record that in every instance the work presented for my inspection was of a high order: complete in every detail, and the progress of Masonry in the Toronto East District No. 11A for the year just ended must be very gratifying to Grand Lodge.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

In view of the fact that Grand Lodge at its last annual communication had been pleased to make some changes in "The Work," a joint Lodge of Instruction for the two Toronto Districts was held under the auspices of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16, on Saturday, October 8th, 1910, in the Masonic Hall, Temple Building, Toronto for the purpose of acquainting the brethren throughout the districts with the changes which had been

made, and to secure that uniformity in "The Work" which makes the science of Masonry so universal. More than 250 brethren were present, and from this district 18 out of the 22 lodges were represented, there being no representatives from the following lodges: Sharon, No. 97, Queensville, Richardson, No. 136, Stouffville, Brock, No. 354, Cannington, Doric, No. 424, Pickering.

The officers of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16, the mother of Masonry in the Toronto Districts, ably exemplified the work of the first degree, with V. W. Bro. Albert Maccoomb presiding. The work of the second degree was faultlessly presented by W. Bro. Charles Murphy and the officers of York Lodge, No. 156, while the third degree, under the direction of W. Bro. John Brennan and the officers of St. George Lodge, No. 367, was admirably and impressively rendered.

A lively discussion followed the rendition of each degree, was manifested by their speech and action, both in the degree, displaying the interest manifested in the work by the brethren. That the Lodge of Instruction was fruitful of good results was apparent to me during my subsequent visits to the lodges of the district.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

In my visits to the lodges which were still indebted to this fund, I endeavored to impress upon them the fact that perhaps the greatest and noblest work of Grand Lodge was its care for the Mason in distressed circumstances, the orphan and the widow, and I am pleased to report that substantial progress has been made; that while two of the lodges are still owing small amounts, the district as a whole has contributed more than its quota.

DEDICATIONS

Under authority from the M. W. the Grand Master, I dedicated the following lodge rooms during the year:

Markham Union, No. 87, Markham, February 10th, 1911.

The Rising Sun, No. 129, Aurora, June 7th, 1911.

Richardson, No. 136, Stouffville, December 16th 1910.

Zeredatha No. 220, Uxbridge, November 18th, 1910.

Brougham Union, No. 269, Claremont, November 25th, 1910.

Brock, No. 354, Cannington, January 20th, 1911.

Doric, No. 424, Pickering, February 17th, 1911.

Riverdale, No. 494, Toronto, September 30th, 1910.

This completes the dedication of all lodge rooms in the district.

SUGGESTIONS

(1). Section 196 of the Book of Constitution should be amended, giving the Worshipful Master, the District Deputy Grand Master, or the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, power to order a new ballot when it is quite evident that an injustice has been done to a worthy candidate.

In a lodge in this district a candidate was balloted for and declared rejected. The Deacons on preparing the ballot for a second candidate discovered that in the white ballot box two black balls appeared, while in the black ballot box only one white ball appeared. The Master thereupon ordered a count of the members, when it was found that there were 38 present. The condition of the ballot boxes which had not been disturbed disclosed the fact that 39 ballots had been cast in the white box of which two were black, while the black ballot box contained 38 ballots of which one was white. Clearly in this instance a gross injustice was done the candidate. It is quite evident that one individual member deposited two black balls, and Section 196 as it now stands prevented any redress. This is but one of several instances which could be cited of a misuse of the ballot.

(2). A large amount of dues is outstanding. Masters and Secretaries of lodges should be compelled by Grand Lodge to rigidly enforce sections 69 and 70 of the Rules of Grand Lodge respecting the non-payment of dues.

(3). Brock Lodge, No. 354, Cannington, from its situation should be transferred to District No. 12. Brock Lodge is 59 miles from Toronto; King Edward Lodge, No. 464, Sunderland, in the 12th district, is 53 miles from Toronto, and both are situated on the same branch of the Grand Trunk Railway.

(4). The petition for membership in lodges should contain a clause which would deter a candidate from making application to two or more lodges at the same time.

In this district a candidate made application for admission to a lodge, but before the lodge had time to take final action the candidate was balloted for and accepted in another lodge.

(5). Can a lodge which holds ten regular and ten emergent meetings during the year take in thirty candidates (which means the working of ninety degrees) and do the work effectively and impressively? I think not. Grand Lodge limits the number of candidates to be initiated at one meeting. Why not limit the number of candidates for the year or allow grouping in the second degree?

FRATERNAL DEAD

The following deaths have been reported to me during the year:

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16—Bro. Andrew Smith, August 5th, 1910; Bro. John L. Cox, August 19th, 1910; Bro. H. S. Matthews, November 14th, 1910; Bro. George Clay, April 6th, 1911; Bro. John Barnett, June 22nd, 1911.

Richmond Lodge, No. 23—Bro. David Boyle, September 1911.

Markham Union, No. 87—Bro. M. R. Hemmingway, March 13th, 1911; Bro. A. D. Smith, May 7th, 1911.

The Rising Sun, No. 129—Bro. George F. McMahon, July 22nd, 1910; Bro. John Webb, November 13th, 1911.

Stevenson Lodge, No. 218—Bro. William Simpson, Sept. 12th, 1910; Bro. A. A. Spoffard, April 10th, 1911; Bro. Thomas Graham, April 30th, 1911; Bro. John H. Bell, May 10th, 1911.

Zeredatha, No. 220—Bro. William Hogg, October 23rd, 1910; Bro. M. L. Nutting, April 8th, 1911.

Brougham Union, No. 269—Bro. William H. Smith, April 25th, 1911.

Doric, No. 316—Bro. B. Gower, September 5th, 1910; Bro. J. A. Russell, September 10th, 1910; Bro. A. G. Robinson, September 18th, 1910; Bro. S. B. Buller, October 9th, 1910; Bro. W. B. Morgan, November 7th, 1910.

Orient, No. 339—Bro. J. F. Argue, October 6th, 1910; Bro. Ira Bates, December 19th, 1910; Bro. W. A.

Parkinson, February 3rd, 1911; Bro. H. H. Brown, February 17th, 1911; Bro. Samuel Armstrong, February 28th, 1911; Bro. Thomas Bedlay, March 30th, 1911.

Georgina, No. 343—Bro. Thomas Lawless, July 13th, 1910; Bro. Fred. M. Allen, September 11th, 1910; Bro. J. L. Richardson, May 12th, 1911.

St. George, No. 367—Bro. William H. Syms, October 25th, 1910; Bro. James F. Rice, November 26th, 1910; Bro. John Kyle, January 24th, 1911; Bro. Simon Hall, May 5th, 1911; Bro. James H. Ellis, June 20th, 1911.

Zeta, No. 410—Bro. M. R. Wynn, July 13th, 1910; Bro. M. R. Steels, January 17th, 1911; Bro. C. S. Sparling, March 29th, 1911.

Acacia, No. 430—Bro. Alexander Menzies, July 6th, 1910; Bro. W. T. Empringham, January 22nd, 1911; Bro. Robert Mackay, January 11th, 1911.

VISITS

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16, Toronto, W. Bro. John Dunlop, W. M. Visited this lodge officially on May 9th, 1911. Regular officers in the chairs. The work of the W. M. and officers in the exemplification of the first degree reflected credit on this, the oldest lodge in the district. There is no lack of interest. The books show an average attendance of 100 members.

Richmond Lodge, No. 23, Richmond Hill, W. Bro. C. E. Hopper, W. M. Paid my official visit February 13th, 1911. Chairs filled by the regular officers. Work of the first degree well done. This lodge has roomy and comfortable quarters, and is progressive.

Ionic Lodge, No. 25, Toronto, W. Bro. James Spence, W. M. My official visit was made May 2nd, 1911. This lodge has always had a reputation for the excellence of its work, and the exemplification of the first degree on this occasion indicated that the present officers are maintaining the high standard of work which has always been characteristic of this lodge. The P. M.'s charge was delivered most impressively by W. Bro. George H. D. Lee. The finances of Ionic Lodge are well looked after by R. W. Bro. Colin W. Postlethwaite, who may be styled the permanent Treasurer of the Lodge. R. W. Bro. Postlethwaite has held the office of Treasurer in Ionic Lodge for 21 consecutive years.

St. John's Lodge, No. 75, Toronto, W. Bro. John H. Warner, W. M. Monday, November 7th, 1910 was the date of my official visit. Regular officers present with the exception of the J. W. The first degree was conferred in a very able manner. Bro. C. F. Boddy, the J. S., who occupied the J. W.'s chair on this occasion, and R. W. Bro. Wm. Simpson, a P. M. of over thirty years' standing, deserve special mention.

Markham Union, No. 87, Markham—W. Bro. Geo. Beatty, W. M. On February 10th, 1911, I dedicated the lodge room of Markham Union and inspected the work of the first degree. The work was very satisfactorily done by the regular officers. The large number of brethren from the surrounding lodges was a pleasing feature.

Sharon Lodge, No. 97, Queensville, W. Bro. Eugene Rowen, W. M. This lodge I visited officially on Friday, June 9th, 1911. The officers of Sharon Lodge come from the four quarters of a jurisdiction many miles in extent, and consequently have little or no opportunity for rehearsal of the work. I was, therefore, very agreeably surprised at the almost faultless rendition of the work of the first degree by W. Bro. Rowen and his officers. Sharon Lodge is composed of men imbued with the true Masonic spirit, men for whom their Masonry means a great deal more than signs, grips and words, as officers are men, zealous, competent and conscientious, lodge room and at the festive board. This lodge has more active P. Ms. in proportion to its membership than any other lodge in the district. During the evening announcement was made that a little more than the balance of their quota to the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund had just been collected.

Tuscan Lodge, No. 99, Newmarket, W. Bro. F. R. Fisher, W. M. Visited this lodge at their regular meeting on Wednesday, April 12th, 1911. The work for inspection, which was the third degree, left nothing to be desired. The officers all acquitted themselves creditably. A strong effort is being made to raise the balance due the S. C. B. F.

The Rising Sun, No. 129, Aurora, W. Bro. C. E. Lundy, W. M. I inspected the work of this lodge in the first degree on Friday, April 7th, 1911. The work was correctly and impressively rendered by the regular officers. On this occasion a fraternal visit was made by

W. Bro. L. A. Willson, W. M. of Riverdale Lodge, Toronto, who was accompanied by fifty of his members. I dedicated the lodge room on June 7th, 1911.

Richardson Lodge, No. 136, Stouffville, W. Bro. W. J. Ratcliffe, W. M. Dedicated the lodge room and inspected the work of the first degree on Friday, December 16th, 1910. The chair was occupied by W. Bro. Coulson, who, with the assistance of the regular officers, did the work in a satisfactory manner. On the night of my official visit this lodge was indebted \$99.00 to the S. C. B. F., but through the efforts of W. Bro. Shankel the amount has been reduced to \$5.00, which will be paid before the 1st of July.

Stevenson Lodge, No. 218, Toronto, W. Bro. W. G. C. Reed, W. M. My official visit was made to this lodge on April 10th, 1911. Regular officers all present. The work of the first degree was rendered carefully, deliberately and impressively. On January 9th, 1911, I had the pleasure of installing the officers of Stevenson Lodge, being assisted in the ceremony by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, D. G. M., and R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, P. D. D. G. M. This lodge paid its full quota to the S. C. B. F. during the year, for which credit is due W. Bro. Woodstock.

Zeredatha, No. 220, Uxbridge, W. Bro. V. M. Hare, W. M. Dedicated the lodge room and inspected the work on Friday, November 18th, 1910. The first degree was conferred in a highly satisfactory manner by the W. M. and his regular officers. On my official visit I found the books of the lodge in a very unsatisfactory condition, owing to the laxity of a former Secretary, but in this regard matters have since been adjusted. Zeredatha Lodge on April 8th last suffered an irreparable loss in the death of V. W. Bro. Nutting, to whom I was personally indebted for many acts of kindness and valuable assistance rendered by him at the various dedications throughout the district. This lodge during the year contributed its balance of \$215.00 to the S. C. B. F.

Brougham Union, No. 269, Claremont, W. Bro. John Forgie, W. M. On my official visit to Brougham Union on November 25th, 1910, I dedicated the lodge room and inspected the work of the first degree conferred by the regular officers. The officers deserve high praise for the manner in which they performed the duties of their

office, but special praise is due to W. Bro. Forgie for his calm, dignified and impressive rendition of the Master's work. The lodge has during the year contributed about \$25.00 towards the S. C. B. F. At the present writing they still owe \$118.00, but the brethren of Brougham Union are imbued with the proper Masonic spirit and there should be no difficulty in collecting the balance.

Doric Lodge, No. 316, Toronto, W. Bro. J. H. Walterhouse, W. M. Paid this lodge three visits. My first visit was on September 15th, 1910, when I had the pleasure of presenting my immediate predecessor, R. W. Bro. J. T. Power, with a handsome suit of regalia, the gift of the district. On this occasion W. Bro. W. F. Bilger was the recipient of a beautiful diamond pin, the gift of his brethren in recognition of his efforts in connection with the S. C. B. F. My second visit was on October 20th, 1910, when two lodges from Woodstock were the guests of Doric Lodge. My official visit was made on March 16th, 1911, when the third degree was ably exemplified by the W. M. and the regular officers.

Orient Lodge, No. 339, Toronto, W. Bro. Wm. Gillespie, W. M. Visited this lodge officially on Tuesday, April 4th, 1911. The work of the first degree was exemplified by the regular officers in a very efficient manner. R. W. Bro. E. M. Carleton at the close of the ceremony gave an interesting explanation of the preparation of the candidate. I accompanied the M. W. the Grand Master on a visit to this lodge November 1st, 1910. On this occasion R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, D. G. M., was presented with a beautifully engrossed life membership certificate. Orient Lodge paid its balance to the S. C. B. Fund during the year.

Georgina Lodge, No. 343, Toronto, W. Bro. John Billinghamurst, W. M. Visited Georgina Lodge at the regular meeting March 4th, 1911, and inspected the work of the first degree. Wor. Bro. Billinghamurst and his officers are to be congratulated on the efficiency of the work. This lodge at a meeting subsequent to my official visit voted the balance due by them to the S. C. B. F.

Brock Lodge, No. 354, Cannington, W. Bro. H. W. Mann, W. M. Paid my official visit to this lodge on January 20th, 1911, on which occasion I dedicated the lodge room. There being no candidates, I requested the

officers to open and close the lodge in the three degrees, and from the very efficient manner in which this was done I felt confident that the work of any one of the three degrees would have been done at my entire satisfaction. A pleasing feature of the meeting was the presentation of a handsome P. M.'s jewel to W. Bro. P. W. Ellis, the oldest living P. M. of the lodge.

St. George Lodge, No. 367, Toronto, W. Bro. J. T. Barker, W. M. I visited St. George Lodge at all its regular meetings. My official visit was made on February 3rd, 1911, when the first degree was conferred on two candidates. The work of St. George Lodge has for a great many years been of a high order, and the present officers ably maintained the honour of the lodge on this occasion. This lodge has a large number of active P. Ms. who are always present at every meeting.

Zeta Lodge, No. 410, Toronto, W. Bro. Wm. Anderson, W. M. My official visit to this lodge was made on February 4th, 1911. The regular officers conferred the first degree. W. Bro. Anderson and his officers are highly competent, and it is unnecessary to say that the work was exceedingly well done. The W. M. is ably supported by a number of enthusiastic P. Ms., who manifest an unbounded interest in the welfare of their lodge.

Doric Lodge, No. 424, Pickering, W. Bro. Chapman, W. M. Dedicated the lodge room and paid my official visit on February 17th, 1911. The third degree was conferred by the W. M. and his officers in a manner rarely excelled. The work of this lodge ranks with the best in the district. The Master is strongly supported by a large number of P. Ms., whose interest in the ritualistic work and in the welfare of the lodge is as keen as when they themselves occupied the East. \$97.00 was contributed by this lodge to the S. C. B. F. during the year. This completes their quota.

Acacia Lodge, No. 430, Toronto, W. Bro. Wm. Prestwick, W. M. The regular officers of the lodge presented the work of the first degree for inspection on my official visit March 20th, 1911. The work was exceedingly well done, and I am sure left a favourable impression on the candidate. This lodge in 1909 by vote assumed their quota of the S. C. B. F. as a lodge liability, to be paid in three annual installments, but during the present year

they rescinded the former motion and contributed their full amount.

The Beaches Lodge, No. 473, Toronto, W. Bro. W. E. Nugent, W. M. Visited this lodge on October 14th, 1910, on the occasion of their annual Canadian Night. The most interesting feature of this meeting was an instructive address on the symbols of the J. W.'s lecture, by W. Bro. Rev. W. M. Kannawin of Strathroy. The brethren of the Beeches Lodge and the visiting brethren who had the pleasure of hearing W. Bro. Kannawin felt that they had enjoyed the greatest Masonic treat of the year. On March 14th, 1911, I visited the lodge officially and complimented the officers on their exemplification of the first degree. The M. W. the Grand Master, who was present, added words of praise in the course of his remarks in the lodge room.

Riverdale Lodge, No. 494, Toronto, W. Bro. L. A. Willson, W. M. On September 30th, 1910, I had the pleasure of constituting, consecrating and dedicating this lodge, and conducted the installation ceremonies of the officers appointed under dispensation. I had the honour of again acting as Installing Master on December 23rd, 1910, when the first elective officers were installed and invested. Ever since its inception this lodge has been most vigorous, and its growth fully justifies the wisdom of Grand Lodge in issuing a warrant to a lodge in the North-Eastern part of the city. The present staff of and I predict a brilliant future for this the youngest lodge in the district. My official visit was made on March 24th, 1911, when the W. M. and his regular officers presented the first degree for my inspection. The degree was conferred in a manner such as one would expect from Masons who take a pride in their work. At the regular meeting on June 23rd, 1911, by authority of the M. W. the Grand Master, I healed Bro. C. H. G. Fletcher, a P. M. under the so-called Grand Lodge of Ontario. My thanks are due to the W. M., officers and members of Riverdale Lodge for their kindness in consenting to having the ceremony of healing performed in their lodge room. A large number of brethren were assembled to witness this unique ceremony.

In making my report on the lodges, I have endeavored to be brief, omitting everything which has no reference or direct bearing on the condition of Masonry in the

district, but I feel that the report would be incomplete if I failed to acknowledge the good work of the various Secretaries and Treasurers.

My work during the year was made very pleasant and my labours were considerably lessened by the kindness of the following brethren, who accompanied me on my of my visits, and who rendered valuable assistance at the various dedications: W. Bros. Willson and Larter and Bros. McKenzie and Miskelly of Riverdale Lodge; W. Bros. Hare and Ormiston of Zeredatha Lodge, Uxbridge; W. Bro. Bilger of Doric Lodge, Toronto; W. Bros. Saunders and Brennan, and Bros. Spence, Fegan and Newdick of St. George Lodge; W. Bro. Nugent of the Beaches Lodge; and W. Bro. Prestwick of Acacia Lodge. To W. Bro. Frank Saunders, who accompanied me on all occasions, my thanks are especially due, not only for the faithful performance of the arduous duties of District Secretary, but also for his advice and wise counsel.

To the brethren of the district I am deeply grateful for the honor they conferred on me at the last annual communication of Grand Lodge at Belleville, and I have endeavoured to show my appreciation of the honour by the faithful discharge of the duties of the office.

Faternally submitted,

R. W. BRENNAN, D. D. G. M.,
Toronto East District No. 11A.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Table shewing the work done in Toronto East No. 11A, from June 24th, 1910 to June 24th, 1911

No. of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Mem- bership		Degree's Confrd		Afilations	Restorations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet'gs held			Average attendance of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem'rs 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance	
			Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.					M. M.	Deceased	Regular										Emergent	Total
16	St. Andrew's	Toronto	403	15	29	20	23	6	3	12	510	11	21	90	378	00	26	0	June	Good	Excel'nt	Yes	1600
23	Richmond	Richmond Hill	50	1	2	2	3	1	1	1	211	1	12	25	5	00	3	75	June	Good	Good	Yes	2300
25	Ionic	Toronto	291	7	7	7	8	1	1	1	10	3	13	29	55	00	.....	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Hall T.	
75	St. John's	Toronto	293	10	2	4	6	1	2	9	1	11	11	50	.....	.....	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Hall T.		
87	Markham U'n	Markham	88	1	5	3	3	1	1	1	213	3	16	12	90	00	30	00	Dec.	Fair	Good	Yes	300
97	Sharon	Queensville	73	3	3	2	4	1	1	1	111	3	14	17	30	00	80	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	250
99	Tuscan	Newmarket	72	4	5	8	5	1	1	1	212	5	17	24	30	00	19	75	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	800
129	Rising Sun	Aurora	90	4	3	4	3	4	4	1	212	5	17	18	330	00	51	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	1700
136	Richardson	Stouffville	61	1	7	6	5	4	4	1	11	5	16	20	63	50	36	50	June	Fair	Good	Yes	300
218	Stevenson	Toronto	248	12	19	18	15	1	5	5	411	7	18	65	175	00	.....	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Hall T.	
220	Seredatha	Uxbridge	91	6	2	3	3	2	7	1	211	5	16	24	.....	.....	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Hall T.		
269	Brougham Un	Claremont	69	1	1	3	4	.....	.....	.....	112	2	14	13	20	00	3	50	Dec.	Good	Fair	Yes	500
316	Doric	Toronto	394	8	19	24	25	5	4	5	511	17	28	60	157	84	285	00	Dec.	Good	Fair	Yes	750
339	Orient	Toronto	329	14	19	19	16	1	4	4	612	12	24	85	180	00	145	00	Mar.	Good	Good	Yes	Hall T.
343	Georgina	Toronto	326	11	21	25	21	4	7	4	3	9	18	50	203	22	206	00	Dec.	Good	Excel'nt	Yes	1500
354	Brook	Cannington	65	5	4	4	4	1	1	7	210	2	13	20	.....	.....	Dec.	Good	Excel'nt	Yes	None		
367	St. George	Toronto	364	19	24	20	22	3	1	4	5	10	20	81	181	00	75	00	Dec.	Fair	Good	Yes	300
410	Zeta	Toronto	290	23	29	31	31	5	3	2	610	12	22	59	170	00	110	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	1000
424	Doric	Pickering	46	3	3	3	4	1	1	1	10	2	12	13	.....	.....	Dec.	Good	Excel'nt	Yes	1000		
430	Acacia	Toronto	148	5	17	15	12	1	2	8	310	12	27	35	104	08	30	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	250
473	The Beaches	Toronto	165	13	14	14	12	4	4	1	11	8	19	55	.....	.....	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	1200		
494	Riverdale	Toronto	156	27	28	30	47	2	1	2	10	21	31	38	17	25	.....	Dec.	Excel'nt	Excel'nt	Yes	1600	

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 12.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honor of presenting herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in Ontario District No. 12, but first let me thank the brethren who attended the Grand Lodge at Belleville for unanimously electing me to the highest office in their gift and for the many kindnesses shown me when making my official visits. I was pleased to find Masonry in such a healthy condition in this district. All lodges are increasing in membership and are in an excellent financial position.

My first official duty was to open a new lodge at Cobocok, by order of the M. W. the Grand Master, on Aug. 15, 1910, to be known as King George V. Lodge. I had the pleasure of the company of M. W. Bro. Judge Harding, P. G. M., R. W. Bro. Ralph Clarke, P. D. D. G. M., and P. Ms. R. Nugent, A. L. Campbell and V. W. Bro. J. W. Wallace of Faithful Brethren Lodge, Lindsay, also a number of brethren from Spry Lodge, Feneelon Falls. We found at Cobocok a fair sized, well lighted and ventilated room, furnished with up-to-date furniture, a complete set of proper Masonic books, and businesslike officers. After the opening and the appointment of officers to their different positions, with W. Bro. Chaffee, the newly appointed Master, in the chair, the lodge took up business and received four applications for admittance and one for affiliation. After closing the lodge a banquet was given by the members of K. G. V. Lodge at the Patty House, where a pleasant evening was spent.

On Jan. 27, 1911, I visited North Entrance Lodge No. 463. Haliburton, and had the pleasure of being introduced by R. W. Bro. Clarke, P. D. D. G. M., and a P. M. of this lodge. Although I did not have the pleasure of seeing any work done, I am satisfied that the W. M., Bro. Soady, and officers can do their work well. The books are kept in a very satisfactory manner by W.

Bro. H. H. Clarke, and N. E. Lodge has a very healthy bank account to their credit, over \$30 paid to the S. C. B. Fund more than their quota. This being my first official visit I enjoyed it very much.

On Wednesday, Feb. 8, 1911, I visited Spry Lodge No. 406, Fenelon Falls, and had the pleasure of being introduced by an old friend and P. D. D. G. M. of this district, R. W. Bro. Fitzgerald, who is also Secretary of the lodge. Two candidates were balloted for and accepted, but unfortunately neither were able to attend, so I had not the pleasure of seeing any work. Opening and closing in the three degrees was done in a faultless manner by W. Bro. Townley and officers, after which a very dainty lunch was served. This lodge is getting along nicely, books are well kept and every thing is in a very healthy state.

On Thursday, Feb. 9, I visited Somerville Lodge, No. 451, Kinmount. W. Bro. Horton being ill and unable to attend, W. Bro. Dawkins ably filled the chair. I was introduced by W. Bro. Smith, a P. M. of Somerville Lodge. There were no candidates present. Opening and closing in the three degrees was done by officers. The Wardens are taking a keen interest in the work, and the books are well kept in the hands of W. Bro. Wellstood, who is now Secretary, and who takes a great interest in Masonry. I spoke on the benefits of the Semi-Centennial Fund. They are not getting many members in this lodge, as I consider there are too many lodges in this north country, being only some 12 to 15 miles apart in a very thinly settled country.

On Friday, Feb. 10, I visited Arcadia Lodge, No. 440, Minden. I was surprised to find in this most northern village such a large gathering of Masons, some driving 18 miles to attend lodge. W. Bro. D. J. Hartle did his Master's work in the first and third degree in a very creditable manner. The books of this lodge are kept in a very businesslike way by Bro. Whyte, Secretary. After lodge closed we were treated to an excellent lunch. W. Bro. Young gave an address that is worth special mention, and I am sure Arcadia Lodge is favored by having a brother who can express himself like W. Bro. Young, who is Treasurer of the lodge.

On Monday, Feb. 13, I visited King George V. Lodge, Cobocok, driving from Fenelon Falls with W. Bro.

Johnston, W. Bro. Bishop and W. Bro. Townley, W. M. of Spry Lodge, Fenelon Falls. We found a well attended meeting. W. Bro. Chaffee and officers worked the first and third degrees in a very satisfactory manner. The books of this lodge are in the hands of a very efficient Secretary, Bro. T. S. Birchard.

On Friday, March 10, I visited Harding Lodge, No. 477, Woodville. In this lodge all the officers appear to be well versed in the work. The P. Ms. also keep in touch with the work of the lodge, while the present Master does his work well. Two initiations and a very pleasant fourth degree was the work of the evening. W. Bro. Staback, as Secretary, has his books in excellent condition.

On Thursday, March 16, the M. W. the Grand Master dedicated Composite Lodge, No. 30, Whitby. I also held a Lodge of Instruction. Upwards of 300 Masons of the district were in attendance. Lodge was opened at 2 p.m. by officers of Composite Lodge, Whitby, after which officers of Fidelity Lodge, Port Perry, took the chairs. W. Bro. Adams in the East. A candidate was initiated in a manner that brought praise from every member in the room. Officers of Mount Zion Lodge, Brooklin, then took the chairs and passed a candidate in a very satisfactory manner. This being their first time to work a degree before a large audience they deserve credit for the efficient manner in which they did their work. W. Bro. J. J. Moore ably filled the Master's chair. At 5 p.m. Grand Lodge met in an adjoining room and proceeded to the lodge where M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, dedicated Composite Lodge, No. 30, in that most impressive manner in which he does all his Masonic work. He was assisted by myself, as D. G. M., R. W. Bro. Hutchinson, Port Perry, as G. S. W., and R. W. Bro. Williamson, Beaverton, as G. J. W. After the dedication lodge was adjourned for lunch, meeting again at 7.30 p.m. Officers of Lebanon Lodge, No. 139, Oshawa taking the chairs. W. Bro. Babe in the East. They exemplified the third degree in a faultless manner. R. W. Bro. Punshon and W. Bro. Sinclair of same lodge took part of the work. At 10 p.m. a banquet was given in the town hall, where short speeches by the M. W. the Grand Master and others brought a very pleasant and instructive meeting to a close.

On Friday, March 24, I visited King Edward Lodge, No. 464, Sunderland, and found a very enthusiastic lot of Masons. W. Bro. Shier and his officers raised two candidates in an almost faultless manner. By the number of candidates on the way it shows K. E. Lodge is making a good showing under W. Bro. Shier's master-ship. I was also pleased to find that K. E. L. had paid their quota in full to the S. C. B. Fund. The fourth degree given at Bro. Hamilton's hotel was a credit, I am sure, to that worthy brother.

On Friday, April 7, 1911, I visited Verulam Lodge, No. 268, Bobcaygeon, accompanied by Bro. W. Warren, of Lindsay. The work of the evening was the third degree by the W. M. Bro. Herkimer, who did his work in a very creditable manner. I was sorry to find neither Wardens in their places, although the chairs were filled by two P. Ms., and the work very well done. I would, however, advise that the regular officers be in their places, even if the work is not as well done. I understand the Wardens can give their lectures. A very pleasant fourth degree was also given in the lodge room.

On Tuesday, April 11, I visited Murray Lodge, No. 408, Beaverton, accompanied by W. Bro. N. Patterson, of Woodville. I had the pleasure of being introduced by R. W. Bro. Williamson, a member of this lodge, who also took part of the work of the evening with the Master, Bro. Walls. The books of this lodge are in excellent shape under the careful direction of W. Bro. P. E. Byrne, Secretary. After the proceedings of the lodge a very pleasant time was spent at a banquet.

On Wednesday, April 12, I visited Victoria Lodge, No. 398, Kirkfield. Here I was met and was entertained at his home by my old friend, W. Bro. E. Mosgrove. I also had the pleasure of the company of W. Bro. Staback of Woodville at lodge. There were a goodly number of members present and I was introduced by W. Bro. Staback and W. Bro. Mosgrove. This lodge is unfortunate in having been removed several times from its Masonic quarters, however, they are struggling along bravely with the able assistance of W. Bro. Mosgrove and W. Bro. Oliphant as Master. I must therefore report this lodge in a very fair condition.

On May 9, I visited Oshawa Lodges. Lebanon Lodge met at 7.30, opened in the second degree and

passed one candidate. The work was done in their usual excellent manner, by W. Bro. S. J. Babe and officers. The books are well kept by W. Bro. Sinclair and the lodge is in a very healthy financial state. The same evening I visited Cedar Lodge, No. 270. One candidate was initiated in a manner equally efficient with their sister lodge of the same town. This lodge is also in a very healthy condition and the business of Cedar Lodge is well looked after by the Secretary, W. Bro. Murton. After closing, the two lodges joined in giving a very pleasant banquet in their own rooms. The speeches were interesting, W. Bro. McGillvary, and W. Bro. Lawlor, of Whitby, taking part.

On Friday, May 12, I visited Fidelity Lodge, No. 428, Port Perry, accompanied by Bros. M. Williams, Chas. Williams and J. Carew. A goodly number were present at lodge. The W. M. being absent, W. Bro. Beatty ably filled the chair. The work of the evening, a second degree, was satisfactorily performed by the officers. After lodge a pleasant hour was spent in a social way. The books are neatly and correctly kept by W. Bro. Short.

On Wednesday, May 31, I visited Mount Zion Lodge, No. 39, Brooklin. The members of this lodge practically all live in the country and there was therefore only a fair attendance. The W. M., Bro. Johnston, took the chair. Two candidates for initiation and one for passing were expected, but unfortunately they did not present themselves. Opening and closing in the three degrees was well done by the W. M. and officers. The finances of this lodge are in a very healthy condition, the building they occupy being owned by the lodge.

On Thursday, June 1, I visited Composite Lodge, No. 30, Whitby. There was a good attendance of members. I had the pleasure of being introduced by R. W. Bro. White, P. D. D. G. M. This being my second visit I met many warm friends whose acquaintance I made during my former visit at Lodge of Instruction on March 16. I regret very much that the W. M., Bro. McGillvary was not present, he being in the hospital in Toronto. W. Bro. Lawlor ably filled the chair. The work of initiation was done in a perfect manner. I must make special mention of the Secretary, Bro. R. S. Cormack, who is one of the most thorough Secretaries in my dis-

trict. After lodge closed we retired to the banqueting room where a pleasant hour was spent.

On Friday, June 2, I visited Faithful Brethren Lodge, No. 77, Lindsay. Indeed it was a pleasure to visit my mother lodge, in which I was initiated some 25 years ago. It was a night of work, having one initiation and four passings. The W. M. divided the work among the P. Ms. The W. M., Rev. James Wallace, has his work almost perfect and he always has several P. Ms. to assist him. This lodge is in a very flourishing condition, having a membership of some 220, and always plenty of work on hand. The books are well looked after by the efficient and painstaking Secretary, Bro. R. G. Corneil. Dues are also promptly paid. After closing lodge a very pleasant evening in the banqueting room brought my district visits to a close.

Fraternal Dead.—I regret to have to report the death of the following members since the last report from this district: Bros. James Cooper, A. Cathro, L. Archambault and J. McGillvary. of Faithful Brethren Lodge, No. 77, Lindsay; George Wellington Stevens, King George V. Lodge, U. D. Coboconk; Joseph Heard, Spry Lodge, No. 406, Fenelon Falls; Allister J. Ferguson, Harding Lodge, No. 477, Woodville; Wm. P. Robinson, Somerville Lodge, No. 451, Kinmount; Thos. Deverill, Composite Lodge, No. 30, Whitby; F. H. Fletcher, J. N. Le Roy and William Lauchland, Lebanon Lodge, No. 139, Oshawa.

There are some others as shown by the statements. I wrote for particulars, but have not received them.

The statement from Cedar Lodge, Oshawa, and Murray Lodge, Beaverton, are not in yet.

Fraternally submitted.

J. B. BEGG, D. D. G. M.

Ontario District No. 12.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Table shewing the work done in Ontario District No. 12 from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

No. of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Total No. of all Mem.	Decrease during year	Mem-ber-ship Conf'd			Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet'gs held			Average attendance of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem'rs 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
					E. A.	F. C.	M. M.						Regular	Emergent	Total									
30	Composite	Whitby	78	1	3	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	116	319	15	20 00	4	70 75	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	500 00	
39	Mount Zion	Brooklin	56	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	112	15	25 00	10	150 00	Mar. 24, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1200 00	
77	Faithful B'n.	Lindsay	218	10	17	18	16	2	1	2	3	3	414	620	25	225 65	19	177 25	Jan. 24, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1200 00	
139	Lebanon	Oshawa	130	18	3	15	10	3	1	1	1	1	12	717	26	10 00	...	...	...	1, '11	Good	Fair	Yes	850 00
268	Verulam	Bobcaygeon	66	3	3	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	110	717	26	...	24	241 31	Feb. 1, '11	Good	Fair	Yes	850 00	
270	Cedar	Oshawa	111	9	8	10	6	1	2	1	3	3	110	313	12	...	3	...	Dec. 27, '10	Fair	Good	Yes	None	
398	Victoria	Kirkfield	32	3	7	3	2	1	4	2	3	1	1	9	211	17	...	91 00	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	600 00	
406	Spry	Fenelon Falls	75	5	7	3	2	1	1	5	1	1	1	9	211	17	...	...	...	27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
408	Murray	Beaverton	118	1	3	8	10	...	3	3	...	...	111	122	25	30 03	27	136 00	Jan. 23, '11	Good	Good	Yes	700 00	
428	Fidelity	Port Perry	57	3	3	3	4	...	3	...	...	...	13	13	14	15 00	5	58 30	Jan. 23, '11	Good	Good	Yes	300 00	
440	Arcadia	Minden	57	2	2	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	12	12	12	...	9	30 00	Dec. 27, '10	Poor	Fair	Yes	300 00	
451	Somerville	Kimnount	57	2	2	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	8	8	11	15 00	6	16 50	Dec. 31, '10	Good	Fair	Yes	175 00	
463	N. Entrance	Haliburton	40	1	1	1	1	...	1	3	1	...	12	315	21	...	22	70 30	Dec. 31, '10	Fair	Good	Yes	700 00	
464	King Edward	Sunderland	72	17	17	10	9	...	1	3	1	...	9	15	15	20 00	7	19 00	Jan. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1200 00	
477	Harding	Woodville	53	7	6	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	9	15	15	...	...	...	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	200 00	
UD K.	George V.	Coboconk	28	13	2	12	8	7	1	1	1	1	112	820	14	...	...	...	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	200 00	

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 13.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

I have the honor to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in Prince Edward District No. 13.

I wish to thank the brethren of the district for the high honor they conferred on me by electing me District Deputy Grand Master for this district, as well as for assistance they have given me during the year.

I also wish to thank the officers and members of the different lodges for the cordial and kindly manner in which I was received by them on my official visits.

After my election I at once advised each lodge of my appointment and notified them that I had chosen W. Bro. W. G. Neill, of Star-in-the-East Lodge, No. 164, Wellington, as District Secretary, and Bro. T. J. O'Connor Fenton, of Craig Lodge, No. 401, Deseronto, as District Chaplain, each of whom performed the duties of his office with credit to himself and honor to the district.

Shortly after this I addressed a circular letter to every lodge in the district, directing attention to the following:—

1. Section of the Constitution dealing with the appointment of an Installation Board to examine the Master elect as to his proficiency in the work and his knowledge of the Constitution prior to his installation.

2. The necessity of each lodge keeping the lodge rooms and lodge furniture fully insured.

3. To the changes in the Constitution referring to the new form of balloting for candidates and requested each Worshipful Master to carry out the same without fail.

Later in the year I found some lodges were not following the changed order of ballot so I again issued a circular in reference to this, and particularly admonished those lodges that had neglected to follow the instructions given in my former circular.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Early in October I wrote to the lodges in the district who had not paid their full quota to this fund and urged them to use their utmost endeavors to have the amount due paid before the end of the Masonic year. The request has been fairly well responded to, only three lodges in the district not having paid their assessment in full. A balance of \$397.00 still being due from this district.

DEDICATIONS

During the year I have dedicated the lodge rooms of the following lodges:

United Lodge, No. 29, Brighton; Moira Lodge, No. 11, The Belleville, No. 123, Eureka, No. 283, all of Belleville; Trent Lodge, No. 38, Trenton; Prince Edward Lodge, No. 18, Picton; Percy Lodge, No. 161, Warkworth; Bancroft Lodge, No. 482, Bancroft; Golden Rule Lodge, No. 126, Campbellford.

In addition to these the fine new rooms of Colborne Lodge, No. 91, Colborne, were dedicated by the M. W. the Grand Master on May 29th.

Every lodge room in the district is now dedicated.

CONDITION OF MASONRY

Harmony exists throughout the district; Masonry is firmly established and making steady progress. Each lodge is holding regular monthly meetings that are well attended by the Craft. The officers of each of the various lodges are enthusiastic in the cause of Masonry and are all well fitted for the honorable position which they hold. The books of the different lodges are well kept and arrears of dues kept as low as possible in all the lodges except one, which has a very large balance unpaid. Every lodge in the district is carrying insurance on its buildings and furniture. The lodges are all in excellent financial condition and in some cases own the buildings in which they meet. Especial mention is due the members of Bancroft Lodge, No. 482, Bancroft, for, notwithstanding that they are the youngest lodge of the district and labor under difficulties unknown to the older lodges in more thickly populated parts of the district, they have a surplus of \$600.00 of funds on hand and are planning the building of a new hall.

Two lodges in the district held anniversary celebrations, Golden Rule, No. 126, Campbellford, her 50th, and Prince Edward Lodge, No. 18, Picton, celebrated the 100th year of her existence.

On the occasion of the dedication of Colborne Lodge, No. 91, a presentation was made to Bro. Keyes, who has been their Secretary for forty years, in appreciation of his regular and efficient services to the lodge. During those forty years a member, the lodge never opened or closed in his absence. What a record, what an inspiration to the younger brethren who find it tiresome to stay through the whole of one meeting of lodge! The W. M. of Consecon Lodge, No. 50, in order to stimulate interest in the lodge meetings, has prepared and is giving to his lodge a series of lectures on the History and Symbolism of Masonry. His example might be followed with good results in the other lodges of the district.

The response to the claims of the Semi-Centennial Fund have not been prompt in all cases, but I believe before Grand Lodge meets the amount due from this district will be nearly all (if not all) paid.

The different lodges have been careful in the selection of candidates, so that the increased membership for the year represents quality rather than quantity of new members.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

The District Lodge of Instruction was held by Star-in-the-East Lodge, No. 164, at Wellington on the afternoon and evening of May 30th.

The M. W. the Grand Master, together with R. W. Bros. Ponton, Newton, Spencer and Stafford, P. D. D. G. Ms. of the district, R. W. Bro. Shaw of Kingston, and R. W. Bro. Armitage, P. G. C., were present. Besides these Grand Lodge officers a large number of brethren from the different lodges in the district attended.

In the afternoon the work of the first degree was exemplified by the W. M. and officers of Madoc Lodge, No. 48, while Marmora Lodge, No. 222, put on the work of the second degree. At the evening meeting the W. M. and officers of Consecon Lodge, No. 50, exemplified the third degree.

After each degree was worked criticisms were made

and instructions given as to the correct form of work to be used in the district.

After the lodge was closed the M. W. the Grand Master and visiting brethren were the guests of Star-in-the-East Lodge at a dainty banquet held in the W. P. Niles seed warehouse. An address was given by the Grand Master, who directed the brethren to respect the Deity and to at all times live so that they would be an influence for good in the community in which they lived.

R. W. Bros. Shaw and Ponton also addressed the brethren present.

FRATERNAL DEAD

The following deaths have been reported to me:—

R. W. Bro. Donald Ross, P. D. D. G. M. of the 13th district. A member of Prince Edward Lodge, No. 18, Picton, and Star-in-the-East Lodge, No. 164, Wellington. The latter he instituted and was its first W. M. Bros. Robert Cunningham, Joshua Warring, Philip Dulmage, R. J. Noxon, A. W. Conger, and James Collier, of Prince Edward Lodge, No. 18, Picton. Bro. John F. Hendricks, Trent Lodge, No. 38, Trenton. Bro. Anthony Brooks, Lake Lodge, No. 215, Ameliastown. Bro. John Hoople, Franck Lodge, No. 127, Frankford. Bros. Thos. Beatty and Philip Clark. Tweed Lodge, No. 239, Tweed. W. Bro. W. J. Moore, Madoc Lodge, No. 48, Madoc.

OFFICIAL VISITS

My first official visit was made to Golden Rule Lodge, No. 126, Campbellford, on October 18th, this being the date of the celebration of the 50th anniversary of this lodge. Among the distinguished brethren present were M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, P. G. M., Lindsay; R. W. Bro. H. R. H. Kenner, G. J. W., of Peterboro; W. S. R. Murch. of Kingston. The work in the second degree was ably exemplified by the W. M. and officers. Bro. Stewart Cock was presented with a gold-headed cane, he being the only living representative of the membership of fifty years ago. W. Bro. C. Wensley was also presented with a P. M's. jewel. After the ceremony a banquet was given.

Eureka Lodge, No. 283, Belleville. I visited this lodge on the 19th of Oct. The W. M. and officers ex-

emplified the first degree. R. W. Bro. Terwilligar, G. S. W., was presented with his Grand Lodge regalia by his mother lodge. Visitors were present from the two Belleville lodges and from Star-in-the-East Lodge, Wellington.

Stirling Lodge, No. 69, Stirling. Visited this lodge November the 17th. Lodge in good condition. Secretary's books well kept. First degree worked in fine manner. Semi-Centennial Fund not paid in full. I urged the brethren to pay the balance owing without fail.

St. John's Lodge, No. 17, Cobourg. I made my official visit to this lodge on December 13th. The W. M. and officers passed two candidates in a creditable manner. The J. W. and S. W. gave the lectures of the first and second degree correctly.

Balance still due from this lodge to the Semi-Centennial Fund. This should not be, as the lodge is in good condition financially and is abundantly able to pay its quota to this fund. The fourth degree was well put on and was a decided success.

Tweed Lodge, No. 239, Tweed. Visited this lodge on December 16th. Meetings are well attended. As there was no degree work to put on I had the W. M. open and close in the three degrees, and examined the Wardens in their lectures. This part of the work was well done. This lodge has a new Secretary who is proving a very efficient officer. It is the only lodge in the district that has no arrearage of dues.

Craig Lodge, No. 401, Deseronto. Accompanied by the District Chaplain, Bro. Fenton, I visited this lodge January 3rd. The third degree was well put on by the W. M. and officers. Wardens are both able to give their lectures.

Marmora Lodge, No. 222, Marmora. I was enthusiastically and cordially received in fine Masonic spirit by the W. M., officers and members of this lodge, when I visited them on the evening of January 9th. The work of the second degree was well exemplified. The Secretary's books are well and efficiently kept and the lodge is in good condition. After the work of the lodge was completed I was entertained at a dainty banquet.

Madoc Lodge, No. 48, Madoc. Visited this lodge on January 10th. This lodge has able officers and is in a

flourishing condition. The work of the third degree was put on by W. Bro. Wright and officers of the lodge. After lodge was closed the brethren present were entertained at a banquet prepared by Bro. T. F. Bell. There were present with me on this occasion R. W. Bros. Newton and Shaw, and Bros. Ketcheson, McGee, Boulton and Vermilyea.

Consecon Lodge, No. 50, Consecon. I was royally received by the brethren of this lodge on January 20th. The W. M. and officers raised a candidate to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. The work was exceedingly well done. The lodge is being stimulated by the enthusiasm of the present Master, W. Bro. Thornton. A banquet was given after the ceremony.

Belleville Lodge, No. 123, Belleville. Visited this lodge February 2nd. The work of the second degree was exemplified in fine style. The lodge is in a prosperous condition and utmost harmony prevails among its members.

United Lodge, No. 29, Brighton. Accompanied by W. Bros. Height and Cleminson, of my mother lodge, I visited this lodge Feby. 7th, and performed the ceremony of dedicating the lodge. After the ceremony we were entertained at a fine banquet.

Percy Lodge, No. 161, Warkworth. Visited this lodge February 8th. The W. M. and officers exemplified the work of the first and second degrees. This lodge had not paid its full quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund at the time of my visit, but when I dedicated the lodge later in the year they promised to provide the balance lacking before Grand Lodge met in July.

Lake Lodge, No. 215, Ameliasburg. Visited this lodge February 13th. I was accompanied by several brethren from my mother lodge. The work of the first degree was well done by the W. M. and officers. A fine banquet was held at the close of the lodge.

Prince Edward Lodge, No. 18, Pieton. Visited this lodge on February 21st, when her centennial was most fittingly celebrated. In the afternoon the lodge room was dedicated, and in the evening the members accompanied by their wives entertained myself and visiting brethren at a banquet in the Parish House. This lodge has not paid its assessment towards the Semi-Centennial

Fund, but I have the promise of the lodge that it will be settled in the near future.

Moirs Lodge, No. 11, Belleville. I visited this lodge on the 8th March and dedicated the lodge room, which is occupied in common with the other Belleville lodges. The W. M. and officers ably performed the ceremony of initiating a candidate into the mysteries and privileges of Masonry. Lodge in a prosperous and harmonious condition.

Bancroft Lodge, No. 482, Bancroft. My official visit was made to this lodge on March 10th, when I received a most cordial welcome from the brethren present. The first and third degrees were done in a manner that did credit to the W. M. and officers of the lodge. Lodge is prosperous and in a healthy condition, books are well kept by a very able and efficient Secretary. A fine banquet was given me after the lodge meeting.

Franck Lodge, No. 127, Frankford. I visited this lodge at their regular meeting on March 13th. The W. M. and officers exemplified the work of the first degree. The work was well done. The Secretary's books are well kept. This lodge is in a prosperous condition and is governed by capable officers.

Trent Lodge, No. 38, Trenton. I visited this lodge April 11th. Assisted by R. W. Bro. Spencer and V. W. Bro. Diamond, of Eureka Lodge, No. 283, Belleville. I dedicated the lodge rooms. The efficient Secretary of this lodge is R. W. Bro. Spencer. There being no work, I examined the Wardens as to their knowledge of the lectures, both of which were well given.

Colborne Lodge, No. 91, Colborne. Accompanied by W. Bro. Neill, District Secretary, I made my official visit to this lodge on the evening of June 9th. This lodge has just moved into fine new lodge rooms, and is in a very prosperous condition. The work for the evening was three second degrees, which were well put on. R. W. Bro. Webb was present.

Star-in-the-East Lodge, No. 164, Wellington. I visited my mother lodge on June 6th. The work for the third degree was exemplified. The lodge is in a prosperous condition and has excellent prospects for the future.

Fraternally submitted,

H. H. POST, D.D.G.M.,

Prince Edward District No. 13.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table shewing the work done in Prince Edward District, No. 13, from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

Number of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Total No. of all Mem.	Mem- bership		Degree's Conf'd		A Millations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet'gs held	Average atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. me't's 12 m'ths in ar'ts	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance			
				Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.																M. M.		
11	Moira	Belleville	265	22	12	20	13	15	1	2	6	..	6	11	6	17	43	181	00	43	169 75, Dec.	'10	Good	Yes	joint
17	St. John's	Cobourg	129	8	2	7	7	9	1	1	5	..	1	13	3	16	25	50	00	15	150 00, Jan.	'10	Good	Yes	1000 00
18	Pr. Edward	Pictou	229	8	15	6	10	6	1	1	5	..	8	11	9	20	38	230	00	7	8 5 Jan.	'11	Good	Fair	4200 00
29	United	Brighton	117	3	5	2	1	1	1	3	1	..	1	10	2	12	30	230	00	1	21 00, Dec.	'10	Good	Yes	700 00
38	Trent	Trenton	129	10	6	3	7	4	1	1	2	..	3	11	3	14	23	26	00	1	7 50, Dec.	'10	Good	Yes	800 00
48	Madoc	Madoc	120	7	4	6	8	7	1	3	3	..	1	12	1	13	20	25	00	15	50 00, Jan.	'11	Good	Yes	1000 00
50	Consecon	Consecon	52	1	6	1	1	1	1	3	3	..	3	13	1	14	20	.....	.....	5	12 00, Dec.	'10	Good	Yes	300 00
69	Stirling	Stirling	88	9	5	6	7	5	2	1	3	1	1	13	1	14	22	.....	.....	32	148 25, Dec.	'10	Good	Yes	1200 00
91	Coborne	Coborne	100	9	14	5	5	5	2	3	7	..	4	12	5	17	25	85	00	30	140 00, Dec.	'10	Good	Yes	1500 00
123	Belleville	Belleville	225	16	7	15	14	9	1	1	5	..	4	12	5	17	40	100	00	30	93 00, Dec.	'10	Good	Bright	joint
126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	56	7	2	6	3	4	1	2	2	..	1	10	1	15	22	.....	.....	3	9 00, Dec.	'10	Fair	Good	350 00
127	Frank	Frankford	102	8	2	5	3	1	2	4	3	..	1	11	1	12	29	6	25	8	58 50, Dec.	'10	Good	Good	550 00
161	Percy	Warkworth	80	9	1	7	7	5	2	2	4	..	1	12	1	13	18	.....	.....	14	56 00, Jan.	'11	Fair	Yes	250 00
164	Star-in-East	Wellington	128	8	5	6	3	5	2	2	4	..	1	14	4	18	35	10	00	17	71 00, Dec.	'10	Good	Yes	2500 00
215	Lake	Ameliasburg	72	4	4	3	3	1	..	..	..	..	1	11	1	12	36	.....	.....	18	97 00, Dec.	'10	Good	Yes	1000 00
222	Marmora	Marmora	84	6	5	7	5	4	1	1	2	..	1	10	1	11	15	130	00	35	150 00, Dec.	'10	Good	Yes	1000 00
239	Tweed	Tweed	110	5	6	5	4	3	..	..	2	..	2	10	5	15	23	10	00	28	148 35, Dec.	'10	Good	Good	400 00
283	Eureka	Belleville	109	9	8	6	10	..	..	..	2	..	1	11	2	13	20	30	00	28	118 35, Dec.	'10	Good	Good	1000 00
401	Craig	Deseronto	96	13	3	10	9	10	..	..	2	..	1	13	4	17	22	.....	.....	16	140 50, Dec.	'10	Good	Yes	800 00
482	Bancroft	Bancroft	74	13	4	12	10	8	1	..	2	..	1	13	4	17	19	.....	.....	18	140 00, Jan.	'11	Good	Good	500 00

FRONTENAC DISTRICT No. 14.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

I have the honor to present for your consideration my report on the condition of Freemasonry in Frontenac District No. 14, together with a record of the work done in, and my official visits to, the lodges in the district.

It is my pleasure, at the very outset, to express to the brethren of the Fourteenth Masonic District my great appreciation of and sincerest thanks for the honor they conferred upon me in electing me to the important office of District Deputy Grand Master. The duties of that high office are more onerous, and its requirements more exacting, than I had anticipated, but I have endeavored, to the very best of my ability, to perform the duties pertaining to the office. I have spared neither time, energy nor enthusiasm, and if in any way I have failed to realize the expectation of the brethren it has been due to my lack of ability.

On assuming office I appointed W. Bro. Chas. A. Watt as District Secretary, and I wish to express to him my thanks for his assistance.

I also desire to express my thanks to R. W. Bro. T. D. Minnes for his assistance. He was kind enough to take my place, at some inconvenience to himself, when I was prevented from visiting Albion Lodge, No. 109, Harrowsmith, and Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 146, Newburgh.

On the occasion of my official visits to the lodges in the district my reception was always very cordial and my entertainment most elaborate.

To give, even in brief form, the numerous circulars and letters which I sent out to the various lodges, would be a waste of time and space. Suffice it to say that I endeavored to comply with all the instructions issued by the M. W. the Grand Master to the D. D. G. Ms.

The good work of my predecessors in the office of D. D. G. M. rendered my work in some departments very easy. There has been aroused a commendable rivalry among the lodges, each W. M. and his officers striving to surpass the others in the effectiveness of their work in conferring the degrees. I found the officers of the lodges well skilled, as a rule. I also found in all the lodges of the district a desire to conform strictly to the constitution and laws of the Grand Lodge. In a very few cases I found a little divergence from the Constitution, but on pointing it out to the W. M., the defect was remedied forthwith. The plan of having a yearly audit and the method of handling lodge funds as laid down by the Grand Lodge is very generally observed.

I believe that I can safely say that Freemasonry in this district is in a very healthy condition, and is wielding a great influence for the uplifting and ennobling of all classes. The prosperity and harmony which obtain in nearly all the lodges must make their influence felt far beyond the walls of the lodge room.

With reference to the work of the Secretaries, I can but endorse what was said by R. W. Bro. Minnes in his report last year. Their work is uniformly good. A W. M. can have no better assistant in the lodge than a Secretary who is well skilled in the work and who has a good knowledge of the usages and customs of the order. He should also know well the value of Masonic records and how to preserve them.

At the beginning of my term of office I decided that I could not contribute more, in any other way, to the progress of the work in this district than by endeavoring to have every lodge in the district discharge its obligation to the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund. Although much good work has been done for this cause by my predecessors in office, yet the majority of the lodges were slow to respond, and in a few cases misconception of the necessity and utility of the fund remained. During the past year the brethren of all the lodges but one have taken hold of the question in earnest, and to see the determined efforts made to wipe out this obligation has been an inspiration to me. While I have urged the claims of the fund, in season and out of season, the brethren have investigated and the attitude of all but

one lodge is expressed by the Secretary of Elysian Lodge, Garden Island, who, after paying their full quota, wrote to me as follows: "I can assure you that there is not one member of Elysian Lodge who would allow it to be in arrears for such a good cause, but they really did not understand." My pleasure in reporting the good work that the lodges of the district have done in this cause, during the past year, is not unalloyed. There is one lodge that, for some reason or other, is still indebted. And just at this point I want to express to the officers and members of the lodges that have paid in full my appreciation of their earnest co-operation in this work.

Very much of the credit of the work done in this department belongs to the M. W. the Grand Master. He honored our district by being present at our Lodge of Instruction on Nov. 29th, and in his addresses dealt exhaustively with the fund. The brethren immediately took the question up with renewed interest and energy.

It is with deep regret that I report the passing of the following members, who have been called to the Grand Lodge above since the last report from this district:—

Bro. Geo. Thompson, M.M., Ancient St. John's Lodge, Kingston; W. Bro. Thomas Dibb, P.M., Union Lodge, Napanee; V. W. Bro. James Walters, P.M. (1885), Past Grand Dir. of Cer. (1888), Union Lodge, Napanee; Bro. Geo. T. Sexsmith, M.M., Union Lodge, Napanee; W. Bro. Geo. E. Fales, P. M. Leeds Lodge, Gananoque; Bro. D. Wilson, M.M., Leeds Lodge, Gananoque; W. Bro. Wm. H. Godwin, P.M., Minden Lodge, Kingston. One brother from Simpson Lodge, Newboro, whose name and rank have not been reported to me.

While we will deeply mourn the loss of so many faithful brethren, I cannot refrain from referring to the great loss, not only Union Lodge, but the whole district sustained in the death of W. Bro. Dibb, Rural Dean and Vicar of St. Mary Magdalene Church Napanee. He was known far beyond the bounds of the Fourteenth District as a good Mason and a Christian gentleman.

OFFICIAL VISITS

On August 22nd I visited Prince Arthur Lodge, No. 228. Odessa, accompanied by R. W. Bros. Minnes and Jackson, and V. W. Bro. Smeaton. W. Bro. Snider

proved himself to be a very capable presiding officer and well skilled in the work. The first degree was conferred on a candidate in an almost faultless manner. R. W. Bro. Minnes had reported this lodge as not having been dedicated, and I made my visit to the lodge early in the year to try and adjust matters so that dedication might be arranged for. The members of the lodge are fully aware of their position, but it seems that their arrangements from time to time have been so interfered with that for some unavoidable reason they are in the same position as they were one year ago. They have, however, purchased a building and are preparing it for a hall which they have promised to have ready for dedication about August. The funds of the lodge are in good shape, the books well kept, and an air of prosperity pervades everything about the lodge.

On Oct. 6th, I visited Simpson Lodge, No. 157, Newboro. The weather was so unfavorable that only a few members were present, not enough to have a meeting. I thoroughly examined the books and found them, on th whole, satisfactory. I discussed the S. C. B. F. with W. Bro. Dier, R. W. Bro. Dr. Preston, and the others present. They seemed to fully understand and appreciate the fund, but Simpson Lodge is the only one in the district which has not paid its full quota to the fund. The lodge is in good condition financially and as the same members hold office as when R. W. Bro. Minnes inspected them last year they must be competent to do the work.

On Oct. 7th I visited Westport Lodge, No. 441, Westport. This was one of the best meetings of the year. The W. M., W. Bro. Taggart, conferred the first degree on a candidate in a faultless manner. The brethren are enthusiastic, some of them not hesitating to drive eighteen or twenty miles to attend a meeting. The books are well kept and the finances in a healthy condition.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

On Nov. 29th, a Lodg of Instruction was held in Gananoque. The M. W. the Grand Master honored the meeting by being present. I have in another part paid a tribute to the value of his presence and the good work he accomplished.

Practically every lodge in the district was represented. The work of the three degrees was distributed among the lodges. There were also present about fifty members of Alexandria Lodge, Alexandria Bay, N.Y. After the work in the lodge room was completed Leeds Lodge, No. 201, tendered a banquet to the M. W. the Grand Master, at which W. Bro. Munro presided. I wish to express my thanks to the W. M., officers and members of Leeds Lodge for their assistance in making this meeting a success. To W. Bro. Munro, R. W. Bro. Skinner, W. Bro. Black, and W. Bro. Watt my thanks are especially due.

On Dec. 27th it was my pleasure to install the officers of The Ancient St. Johns, Cataraqui, and Minden Lodges of Kingston, at a joint meeting called for that purpose. I was ably assisted in this work by several P.D.D.G.Ms. This was followed by one of the finest banquets it has ever been my privilege to attend.

On January 10th I installed the officers of my mother lodge, Leeds, No. 201, Gananoque. The W. M. and officers of this lodge are thoroughly competent to do all the work of their respective offices. The financial condition of the lodge is excellent and the prospects very bright.

On February 6th I visited Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 119, Bath. Although the worst storm of the winter occurred on this day, yet the lodge room was well filled. The work of the evening was the third degree. The way in which W. Bro. Huffman conferred this degree, and did the rest of his work, and the support he received from W. Bro. Northmore and V. W. Bro. Armstrong, lets one into the secret of the popularity of Maple Leaf Lodge and the excellent reputation they have among the other lodges of the district. The work of the W. M. and his officers was faultless. I have not seen the floor work surpassed this year. Every phase of the work in this lodge is to be praised. They have purchased a building and will soon have it ready for dedication. They have promise of a very bright future.

On February 7th I visited Minden Lodge, No. 253, Kingston. W. Bro. Craig, in a very able manner, conferred the first degree on a candidate. The character of the work in Minden Lodge, as in all the other Kingston lodges, needs no comment. I could have found no fault

with it should I have been so inclined. The fact that R. W. Bro. Minnes is Secretary is a guarantee that the work will be properly done and the finances handled strictly in accordance with G. L. methods.

On February 7th I also met the W. M. and officers of Elysian Lodge, No. 212, Garden Island, in Kingston, and thoroughly examined their books. On the evening I had arranged to visit Elysian Lodge there was such a terrific blizzard that it was impossible to go across the ice. I find that they are in very good shape from the financial standpoint. In the past Elysian Lodge has been a very powerful influence for good, and the present members are among the most enthusiastic and faithful Masons that it is my privilege to know. R. W. Bro. Minnes saw the present officers do the work last year and has testified to their ability. While the territory comprising the jurisdiction of the lodge is very limited, and their prospects not so bright as one would desire, yet so long as the present members desire to maintain their lodge as a Masonic home I think they are entitled to every consideration and support.

On February 10th I visited Union Lodge, No. 9, Napanee. The work of the evening was the third degree. This W. Bro. Thompson, the W. M., and his officers did in a very excellent manner. The attendance was very large, the seating capacity of the lodge room being taxed to accommodate all. R. W. Bro. Ponton, of Belleville; Bro. Carstairs, Toronto, and many more outsiders being present. I have to thank R. W. Bro. Harrington for his consideration before and during my visit to Union Lodge. During the past year Union Lodge has done good work. They have attacked the large arrearage of dues, which was becoming a burden, and have done nobly in that line. They have also during the past month paid the balance of their quota to the S. C. B. F. I see a bright future before Union Lodge.

On March 2nd it was my privilege to visit The Ancient St. John's Lodge, No. 3, Kingston. This lodge is the second oldest within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, and there have naturally grown up about it traditions which every officer and member feels it his duty to maintain. Enrolled among its members have been some of the most eminent, ablest and best loved of Canadians. Th W. M., W. Bro. Gimblett, on account of his

military training and native ability, is particularly well qualified to govern a lodge. He fills his position with dignity. He conferred the first degree on two candidates in a manner that could hardly be excelled, and he is supported by an exceptionally strong set of officers. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are in excellent condition.

On April 7th I visited Lorne Lodge, No. 404, Tamworth. There was no work on the summons, but the manner in which the W. M., W. Bro. Wilson, conducted the opening and closing, evidenced his ability to do the work properly. A most interesting report was presented and discussed. It dealt with the advisability of the lodge erecting a Masonic Hall. The method of conducting this report was perfect. The W. M. is a dignified and able presiding officer and he has a very valuable and able assistant in W. Bro. Aylsworth, the Secretary.

On April 13th I visited Victoria Lodge, No. 299, Centreville. W. Bro. Wagar, W. M., conferred the second degree on a well prepared candidate. The work was well done and reflected credit on the whole lodge. It was also my pleasure while at this meeting to present, on behalf of Victoria Lodge, a Past Master's jewel to W. Bro. Gerow, a P. M. of the lodge. The work of V. W. Bro. Cox, Secretary, is above criticism. I understand that the brethren of Victoria Lodge are much indebted to R. W. Bro. Carscallen for his zeal and fidelity in the past. The lodge is doing good work and has a bright future.

On April 14th I visited Cataragui Lodge, No. 92, Kingston. This lodge has the largest membership of any lodge in the district. The presence of such able and active members as R. W. Bros. Shaw, Hendry and Jackson, and V. W. Bro. Smeaton, is a sufficient guarantee of the good work of the lodge. W. Bro. Crosier, W. M., conferred the first degree in a way that might be envied by many W. Ms. His work was intelligent and business like. There is an enthusiasm and earnestness about the work of the W. M. and his officers that must make their influence felt. The lodge is doing excellent work and has a very bright outlook.

On May 12th and 19th I had arranged to visit Albion Lodge, No. 109, Harrowsmith, and Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 146, Newburgh. I was prevented, by cir-

cumstances beyond my power to control, from keeping these appointments. R. W. Bro. Minnes, who has been ever ready to help me, took my place. He sent me the following report:—

“Albion Lodge, No. 109, Harrowsmith. Visited this lodge May 12th. Found W. Bro. Burton again in the Master's chair. There was a good attendance and the work of the first and third degrees was done in a most exemplary manner. Judging by the two candidates, Albion Lodge is adding excellent material to its membership. I was glad to find R. W. Bro. Wartman present taking the same interest in the lodge, which owes much to his paternal care.

“Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 146, Newburg. May 19th witnessed the 50th anniversary of this lodge. There was a full lodge room to greet the visitors, including R. W. Bros. Shaw and Carscallen. W. Bro. Thompson and his officers conferred the first degree in a careful and impressive manner. R. W. Bro. Longmore gave a short history of the lodge. Bro. Simon Oberndorffer, of Kingston, the only living charter member, sent his regrets at his inability to be present. Through the energy displayed by W. Bro. Fraser the records, which have been incomplete, since the destruction of the lodge books in 1887, have been re-written and are now as perfect as it is possible to get them.”

On June 8th I visited Rideau Lodge, No. 460, Seeley's Bay. The W. M., W. Bro Gardiner, opened and closed in the three degrees. The work was done in a very satisfactory way. As this lodge is very near my home I know that the members are very careful in the selection of the material they take into the lodge, and that their work is uniformly good. They are doing an important and good work in their community, and have an assuredly bright future before them.

On June 22nd I visited St. Andrew's Lodge, U. D., Arden. The W. M. conferred the third degree on a very intelligent and well prepared candidate. The degree work, as well as the work of opening and closing, was practically perfect. The hall is a very good one and sufficiently furnished. The W. M. is thoroughly competent to fill the position of W. M. He is well supported. His J. W. is Reeve of the Township and Warden of the County.

The territory within the jurisdiction of the lodge is very large. As the books have already been inspected by those with larger jurisdiction than I have, it is not necessary for me to make any comments on them. I found the brethren well skilled and enthusiastic Masons. I believe that a well conducted lodge situated at Arden or some other place in that large territory would wield a powerful influence for good.

Now that my work as D. D. G. M. is almost ended, I must before closing my report express my appreciation of the courteous and fraternal manner in which I have been received and treated by the brethren throughout the district. I trust that my efforts have not resulted entirely in labor lost, but that I may possibly have helped or encouraged someone. I shall ever remember and be deeply grateful for the many kindnesses extended to me.

Fraternally submitted,

R. G. GRAHAM, D. D. G. M.,
Frontenac District No. 14.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Table shewing the work done in Frontenac District, No. 14, from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

No. of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Mem- bership	Degree's Confr'd	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet'gs held		Average attendance of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem'rs 12 mths in ar'rs	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance		
														Regular	Emergency										Total	
3	An't St John	Kingston	195	13	14	14	12	4	1	5	1	9	8	17	30	167	00	6	87	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Yes	867 00	
9	Union	Napanee	140	1	8	5	5	2	2	3	6	3	12	5	17	29	52	25	13	90	98	Dec.	27, '10	v. good	Yes	700 30
92	Cafarqui	Kingston	217	17	16	14	14	3	1	2	1	2	12	5	17	35	184	00	14	...	Dec.	27, '10	v. good	Bright	Yes	300 30
109	Albion	Harrowsmith	82	7	7	7	5	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	17	10	39	00	7	80	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Yes	700 00
119	Maple Leaf	Bath	72	2	2	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	13	11	15	...	60	00	6	37	50	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Yes	900 00
145	Pr. of Wales	Newburgh	60	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	12	11	22	13	15	10	25	12	00	Feb.	13, '11	Good	Yes	2200 30
157	Simpson	Newboro	72	2	2	2	2	3	1	3	2	1	12	11	13	15	10	00	25	98	55	Dec.	31, '10	all right	Yes	100 00
201	Leeds	Gananoque	165	3	6	6	8	2	1	3	3	2	2	10	11	39	5	00	25	75	00	Jan.	10, '11	Good	Yes	600 00
212	Elysian	Garden Island	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	5	9	...	...	1	4	50	June	24, '10	Good	Yes	None
228	Pr. Arthur	Odesa	54	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	14	4	18	12	5	00	4	8	00	Jan.	16, '11	Good	Yes	Yes
253	Minden	Kingston	129	9	8	11	8	5	2	3	2	1	12	4	16	37	45	00	8	82	00	June	27, '11	Good	Yes	Yes
299	Victoria	Centreville	49	3	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	12	2	14	15	70	00	11	23	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Yes	600 00
404	Lorne	Tamworth	72	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	2	13	22	40	00	4	15	25	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Yes	700 00
441	Westport	Westport	57	3	6	4	4	3	3	3	3	1	13	13	18	10	00	8	16	00	Dec.	27, '10	v. good	Yes	None	
460	Rideau	Sealey's Bay	62	1	4	5	9	...	5	...	...	...	12	2	14	14	...	...	4	...	Jan.	13, '11	Good	Yes	1000 00	
UD	St. Andrew's	Arden	23	1	1	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	8	2	10	9	3	00	...	13	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Yes	None

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

I have the honor to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in the St. Lawrence District, No. 15, for the past year, and I might here tender my most sincere thanks to my brethren for having elected me to the high and honorable position of District Deputy Grand Master, and for the generous assistance and many kindnesses shown me while in the performance of my duties.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. A. Graham District Secretary.

I have officially visited every lodge in the district with the exception of True Britons, No. 14, Perth, Ont., and at all meetings have urged the lodges not paid up in the Semi-Centennial Fund, the necessity of immediately meeting their obligation to this fund and they have all promised to do the very best possible to have their arrearages cleared up this year.

I am greatly pleased to be able to inform you that all the lodges are working in harmony, have good active officers who know their work well and material presenting itself for our mysteries of the very best.

The books of the Secretaries are well kept and I desire to thank them all for the prompt manner in which they furnished all information asked for, which lightened my labors to a great extent.

Fraternal Dead.—The following brethren have been reported :—

W. Bro. Robert G. Hervey, member of Sussex Lodge, No. 5, for 50 years and five months, died Nov. 28th, 1910. W. Bro. Richard G. Murphy, died May 16th, 1911; W. Bro. Thos. Jones, Bro. Clarence Hawks, St. Francis Lodge, No. 24, Smith Falls. Bro. James F. McEvoy, died Sept. 21st, 1910; Bro. Herbert W. Curry, died April 15th, 1911, Mount Zion, No. 28. Bro. D. A. Wilson, Merrickville Lodge, No. 55. Bro. C. B. Bracken-

buoy, died Feby. 4th, 1911; Bro. John Ferguson, died March 19th, 1911; Bro. Allan James Smith, died March 17th, 1911; Bro. John Phillips Wiser, died April 30th, 1911, Central Lodge, No. 110, Prescott. Bro. Isaac Korry, True Britons, No. 14, Perth, Ont. Bro. Walker Beatty, Bro. Wellington Johnston, Harmony, No. 370, Delta, Ont.

Harmony Lodge, No. 370, Delta.—I made my first official visit to this lodge on Jany. 11th, accompanied by W. Bro. A. Graham. It was a very stormy night, and as the majority of members lived in the country, very small attendance, but found the Secretary's books in good condition and the lodge room bright and clean and well heated. I urged on them the necessity of making good their indebtedness to the S. C. Fund, and they promised to attend to the same at once, and I have since learned they have some money towards the same.

Merrickville Lodge, No. 55, Merrickville. I visited this lodge on Feb. 7th, accompanied by W. Bro. John Fulford, one of the old members. R. W. Bros. McGee and Watchorn were in attendance and there being no work an adjournment was made to the banquet hall, where a very pleasant evening was spent. This lodge is very well officered.

Lansdowne Lodge, No. 387, Lansdowne. I visited this lodge on Feby. 9th, accompanied by W. Bros. W. H. Mowat and A. Graham. This was my first dedication to be performed. There was a large number of members present and as I considered the dedication service enough for one night no degree work was put on. The lodge room has undergone extensive repairs and they are now very comfortably located.

Mount Zion, No. 28, Kemptville. I visited this lodge on Feby. 10th, and dedicated their rooms. The third degree was also put on in a finished manner by R. W. Bro. Langstaff, W. M., assisted by W. B. Conn. This lodge has as fine a set of rooms as there is to be found in the district.

St. Francis, No. 24, Osiris, No. 489, Smith Falls. I visited a joint meeting of these lodges on Feby. 17th, when the officers of the two lodges put on the first degree in a faultless manner. There was a very large attendance, there being over seventy-five, amongst the number were sixteen P. Ms.

Rising Sun, No. 85, Athens. I visited this lodge on March 9th, accompanied by eleven others from Brockville. I dedicated this lodge with assistance of those from Brockville and a few P. Ms. belonging to Athens. There was an attendance of 45. They are very comfortably located and at the conclusion of my labors adjourned to the Armstrong House, where a very sumptuous repast awaited us.

Macoy Lodge, No. 242, Mallorytown. I visited this lodge on March 13th, accompanied by nine others from Brockville. There was no work to be done so just visited and spent a very pleasant evening.

Lyn Lodge, No. 416, Lyn. I visited this lodge on March 14th, accompanied by twenty others from Brockville. Their rooms not being dedicated I performed this duty, assisted by several P. Ms. There was a big attendance and everything going along smoothly.

True Britons, No. 14, Perth. By request of the M. W. the Grand Master, I visited this lodge on March 20th to investigate a little difference which existed between two members, and am pleased to be able to inform you that everything was happily adjusted and this lodge is now going on in a very flourishing condition.

Central Lodge, No. 110, Prescott. I visited this lodge on April 4th, accompanied by several from Brockville. The third degree was put on by the officers in a very acceptable manner, and everything appeared to be going along nicely with them.

Crystal Fountain, No. 389, North Augusta. I visited this lodge on April 12th, accompanied by several of the Brockville brethren. There was a good attendance present and the second degree was conferred in a very creditable manner. Secretary's books faultlessly kept and financially they are in A1 condition and a bright future before them.

Sussex, No. 5, and Salem, No. 368, Brockville. I visited these lodges jointly on April 10th, when I dedicated their rooms with the assistance of the many P. Ms. present. This being my home town I can say very little except to thank them all for the many kindnesses shown me during my term of office and to thank Bros. Key and the members of the choir for their valuable assistance in making the dedication service finished and impressive.

St. James Lodge, No. 74; South Augusta. I visited this lodge on April 17th. accompanied by several members from Brockville, when I dedicated their lodge room with the assistance of the many P. Ms. present. This is one of the flourishing country lodges well officered and in a very healthy condition and all very enthusiastic craftsmen.

On April 11th I attended the funeral of R. W. Bro. Rev. L. A. Betts, who died in Winnipeg, and who was buried in Brockville with full Masonic honors, there being a big turnout of the brethren to do the last sad honor.

I desire to thank the many lodges in my district for the several invitations received, but which I had to decline as I was very busy and unable to get away. I can assure all I greatly regret this.

In conclusion I beg to state that there remains but one lodge in this district which is not dedicated, namely Harmony Lodge, Delta, and this would have been attended to only I could not obtain information until I had visited them, and it was afterwards arranged and Grand Lodge called, but on account of scaffolding being up in the rooms to enable them to have wall and ceiling metalled, same had to be abandoned. After all my visits, must thank the many lodges for the social end of the evenings which were very much enjoyed and everything pertaining thereto very nicely looked after.

Faternally submitted,

THOS. DOWELL, D. D. G. M.,
St. Lawrence District, No. 15.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table shewing the work done in St. Lawrence District, No. 15, from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Mem-ber-ship	Degre's Conf'd		Amlations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Deceased	Meet'gs held			Average atten'tice of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem'bers in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W.M. work all degrees	Insurance				
					E. A.	F. C.						M. M.	Regular	Emergency										Total			
5Sussex	Brookville	260	7	12	11	13	1	1	1	2	..	3	11	7	18	36	300	00	16	145	00	Dec.	27, '10	Excel't	Yes	B.	700
14True Britons	Perth	125	3	9	4	2	4	1	1	1	..	1	11	6	17	29	60	00	22	88	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Yes	B.	500
24St. Francis	Smith Falls	149	9	8	6	6	1	2	7	..	2	12	8	20	45	155	00	...	...	...	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Yes	B.	500	
28Mount Zion	Kemptville	71	5	5	5	5	2	1	1	1	..	2	14	2	16	22	...	...	...	85	50	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Yes	B.	700
55Merrickville	Merrickville	94	1	1	1	1	2	3	1	1	..	1	13	3	16	14	5	00	17	51	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Yes	B.	400
74St. James	South Augusta	74	3	3	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	13	1	14	25	35	00	25	80	50	Feb.	3, '11	Good	Yes	B.	800	
85Rising Sun	Athens	76	2	4	2	2	2	2	2	..	2	12	2	14	15	...	...	25	110	25	Jan.	12, '11	Fair	Yes	B.	300	
110Central	Prescott	113	5	5	5	6	...	...	2	6	...	4	12	3	15	25	70	00	20	65	00	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Yes	B.	750
242Macy	Mallorytown	91	2	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	11	1	11	24	34	00	...	...	...	Jan.	24, '11	Good	Yes	B.	1300	
368Salem	Brookville	187	16	12	11	10	11	5	2	7	...	3	12	7	19	36	115	20	14	220	00	June	24, '11	Good	Yes	B.	1000
370Harmony	Delta	73	6	2	4	3	...	3	...	...	...	2	13	1	13	14	10	00	6	21	00	June	24, '11	Good	Yes	B.	1000
387Lansdowne	Lansdowne	53	2	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	10	1	11	...	...	6	20	00	...	...	Good	Yes	B.	1200		
389Crystal F'n	North Augusta	48	5	1	5	3	1	...	1	...	...	12	1	12	8	20	00	3	34	00	June	24, '11	Good	Yes	B.	350	
416Lyn	Lyn	54	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	512	...	8	70	00	Dec.	27, '10	Fair	Yes	B.	350		
489Osiris	Smith Falls	59	11	9	7	8	6	3	1	...	...	11	7	18	25	70	00	...	...	...	Dec.	27, '10	Good	Bright	Yes	B.	200

Number of Lodge

OTTAWA DISTRICT, No. 16.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I take pleasure in submitting my report on the condition of Masonry in Ottawa District, No. 16.

At the outset, I wish to express my hearty thanks to the brethren of this district for electing me to the high and honorable office of D. D. G. M., and also to tender my sincere gratitude to the many brethren, of all ranks, who accompanied me on my official visits, upholding my hands and helping me immeasurably.

My first official act was to address a letter to the lodges advising them of the appointment of W. Bro. Thos. Shanks and Bro. Rev. Walter M. Loucks, both of Civil Service Lodge, No. 148, as District Secretary and Chaplain, respectively; and among other matters made special mention of the advisability of insurance on lodge property. I am pleased to state, however, that on a better acquaintance with the various lodges, I found the matter of insurance being well looked after.

During the year I visited every lodge in the district, and can safely state that Masonry in this district is unquestionably in a good condition. The statement of work done, which is appended to this report, will shew clearly the material prosperity of the various lodges. But another phase of the "condition" which appeals to me probably more than material prosperity, is the good fellowship which exists throughout the district; the high standard and uniformity of the work of the various lodges; and the fact that more brethren are becoming students of Masonry, thus bringing the high ideals of the craft more and more into our every-day life.

The lodges in this district are fortunate in having an efficient lot of Secretaries, the records, etc., being generally well kept. I notice, however, in some cases, that the admonition of my distinguished predecessor has not been heeded, and some Secretaries are still lax about reporting suspensions, deaths, etc., to the D. D. G. M.

OFFICIAL VISITS

St. John's Lodge, No. 63, Carleton Place, October 12th. This was my first official visit. Together with a goodly number of brethren from Ottawa, received a cordial welcome from the W. M. and brethren. The first degree was exemplified by the W. M., W. Bro. McAllister and his officers in an efficient manner. Only good work was to be expected from a lodge which works under the watchful eye of my immediate predecessor, R. W. Bro. McIntosh, who is noted for his keenness to have everything done just right. The usual banquet was eliminated, very properly I think, as the lodge is bending all its resources towards the erection of a new hall, which I am pleased to say, is well on its way to completion; the corner stone thereof having been laid by the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Macwatt, on the 28th of April. The brethren of St. John's deserve the highest commendation for the zeal, energy and courage displayed in commencing the building of a new hall almost before the ashes of their old home were cold, and their new home will be a credit to the craft and also to the town of Carleton Place.

Chaudiere Lodge, No. 264, Ottawa, October 25th. This being my mother lodge, I was accorded a very warm welcome. I was also honored in having with me a very large and distinguished deputation. The work, which was the third degree, was faultlessly rendered by the W. M., Bro. Pask, and officers. Being a regular attendant of this lodge I know that the work is always well done, but on this occasion I think W. Bro. Pask and the brethren excelled themselves, in which, I took pride and pleasure, as the lodge room was filled to capacity. After the lodge was closed, a banquet was tendered in the adjoining room, where the hospitality of Chaudiere was fully enjoyed by the brethren.

Renfrew Lodge, No. 122, Renfrew, November 7th. I was again fortunate in having several Ottawa brethren with me, and on our arrival we were immediately taken in charge by R. W. Bro. McKay, who looked after our creature comforts. Renfrew has produced many able and distinguished Masons in the past, and I have no doubt will continue to do so. The work of the first degree was ably performed by the W. M., W. Bro. Wade, and

officers, and after some interesting discussion the lodge was closed and a pleasant hour spent around the banquet table.

The Lodge of Fidelity, No. 231, Ottawa, November 15th. This was the occasion for another large turnout of the Ottawa brethren. The lodge room being crowded to over-flowing. The work of the first degree was beautifully presented by the W. M., W. Bro. Crowe, and his officers. This lodge is in a splendid financial condition as disclosed by the last Auditor's report, which I had the pleasure of listening to at the June meeting. After the work in the lodge room the brethren adjourned to the banquet room, where a splendid repast was partaken of, enhanced by a good programme of music and addresses.

Mississippi Lodge, No. 147, Almonte, December 2nd. On this occasion, at the request of, and acting for the M. W. the Grand Master, I dedicated the new lodge room. About twenty brethren accompanied me from Ottawa, and a number also from Carleton Place, all of whom assisted me in the ceremony. There was a very large number of Almonte brethren present, and also visiting brethren from Arnprior and other places. The members were well supplied with musical rituals, and with the W. M., W. Bro. Kirkland, ably presiding at the organ, and Bro. Cecil Bethune, of Ottawa, leading the singing, that part of the ceremony was well taken, and in fact, the singing would have put many of our churches to shame. It was not intended by the W. M. to do any work after the dedication, but by special request of the Mississippi brethren and the other visitors, some of the Ottawa brethren exemplified the first degree. After W. Bro. Kirkland had closed the lodge the brethren retired to another building, where a splendid banquet was provided, and a pleasant hour spent with speech and song. The Mississippi brethren are to be congratulated on the beautiful lodge room which they now have. Of course, it meant hard work, but I believe they are much better quartered than before the unfortunate fire, which burned their old home.

The Builders Lodge, No. 177, Ottawa. This was the occasion of another crowded lodge room to do honor to "Builders." The W. M., W. Bro. Craig, is a worthy successor to the many distinguished Masters who pre-

ceeded him, and in the quality of his work, nothing was lacking. The first degree, which was the work of the evening, was excellently done. After closing the lodge, the "Builders" entertained the brethren in the banquet hall in their usual hospitable manner.

Dalhousie Lodge, No. 52, Ottawa, January 3rd. This is the oldest lodge in the district, and as usual, the brethren turned out in large numbers to grace the occasion. As was the case in all my city lodge visits, I was accompanied by a large deputation, and with them, was cordially welcomed by the W. M., W. Bro. Denny. A very pleasing event was the introduction to the lodge by R. W. Bro. Geo. S. May, of an old member of Dalhousie, M. W. Bro. Geo. W. Baker, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, who received a very warm reception. After a clear and intelligent presentation of the first degree, the brethren adjourned to the banquet room, and partook of Dalhousie's hospitality, and listened to a good programme of music and speeches. An outstanding feature was a very fine address from M. W. Bro. Baker.

Madawaska Lodge, No. 196, Arnprior, January 9th. Accompanied by some of my good brethren from Ottawa, we were fraternally received by the W. M., W. Bro. DeRenzy, and the brethren. The work of the evening being the third degree, which was intelligently exemplified by the W. M. and his officers. W. Bro. DeRenzy, although a young officer, showed himself to be a good ritualist. After the lodge work, the brethren sat down to an informal banquet, which was much enjoyed.

Cobden Lodge, No. 459, Cobden, February 14th. Besides having company from Ottawa, I was delighted to have enter the lodge with me, four brethren from Pembroke, who were down to make a fraternal visit. I believe these visits are very helpful to the brethren, especially in the smaller towns. The fraternal spirit of Cobden Lodge was manifested at this meeting in a resolution endorsing the petition of the brethren of Beachburg for a new lodge there. The W. M. of Pembroke Lodge and those with him also expressed similar sentiments. The work of the third degree was presented in a creditable manner, taking into account that the W. M. and officers had only been in harness a couple of months. After the work of the evening, the brethren spent a pleasant hour in the hall below the lodge room, where a splendid

banquet was provided, and looked after, by the ladies of one of the churches.

Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 371, Ottawa, Feb. 24th. Although the officers of this lodge had only been installed in December, they gave a finished presentation of the first degree. The W. M., W. Bro. Day, had always done good work as Warden, and now in the capacity of W. M. he lived up to the expectation of his brethren. Prince of Wales has always been noted for its hospitality, and in the "fourth degree," which rounded off the evening, they acted up to their reputation.

Civil Service Lodge, No. 148, Ottawa, March 14th. My welcome to this lodge was very warm, and I might say personal, as the W. M., W. Bro. Clendinnen, and myself have been life long friends. Civil Service is fortunate in having within its ranks some of the best musical talent of the city, and with the assistance of this talent, the W. M. and his officers gave a very impressive exemplification of the third degree. In the banquet, which followed, music and elocution of a high order, helped to make the evening a success.

Russell Lodge, No. 479, Russell, March 20th. The brethren of Russell always expect a large deputation with the D. D. G. M., and on this occasion they were not disappointed, as no less than 27 brethren accompanied me from Ottawa. We were all heartily received by the brethren. Although the youngest lodge in the district, it is very much alive and prospering. The work of the evening, the first degree, was presented in a creditable manner. The evening was concluded by an enjoyable banquet.

Pembroke Lodge, No. 128, Pembroke, April 6th. I had purposed visiting this lodge on Feb. 2nd, and had made arrangements to do so, but the railroad was in the grip of a storm, so I reluctantly had to cancel my visit. However, I was more fortunate on April 6th, and received a warm welcome from the brethren. Pembroke is a strong Masonic centre, and the lodge numbers among its members many eminent Masons, including two Past Grand Masters. The quality of the work of the lodge therefore, was expected to be high class, and in this we were not disappointed. When the W. M., W. Bro. Snedden, and his officers presented the third degree, which was rendered very impressively. In examining

the books of the Secretary I found that not only were they in splendid condition, but Bro. Dewar produced a combination cash book and ledger of the loose leaf pattern, which is very comprehensive. It is a product of Bro. Dewar's own ideas, and he assured me that he would be pleased to show it and give the benefit of his experience to the Secretary of any of the other lodges who would like to copy it. After the lodge was closed, an enjoyable banquet was provided in the adjoining room.

Doric Lodge, No. 58, Ottawa, April 7th. My welcome was, as usual, very warm and fraternal. W. Bro. Clark has planned to make the regular lodge meetings more interesting by the introduction of addresses on Masonic subjects. I had the pleasure of hearing, at a previous meeting, an address on the "Landmarks of Masonry," by R. W. Bro. Luke, which shewed a vast amount of thought and study. Addresses such as these would undoubtedly give much information to the ordinary brethren, and provide food for the reflection of the student. The work of the evening was the first degree, which was xemplified in a finished manner by the W. M., W. Bro. Clark, and his officers. After the lodge was closed, instead of the regulation banquet, with its attendant speeches, we were treated to light refreshmnts in a kind of "at-home" style, so that the brethren were able to mingle together more than if seated at a table. The innovation seemed to meet with general approval.

Bonnechere Lodge, No. 433, Eganville, April 10th. On my arrival, accompanied by two Ottawa brethren, I was pleased to meet two good brethren from Renfrew, who had come up for the occasion. I found that Renfrew had always taken a personal interest in, and were always ready to visit and assist the Eganville brethren. On the night of my visit, the lodge was seriously handicapped by the unavoidable absence of the W. M. and the important officers, all of whom were many miles away. Indeed the distances travelled by many of the brethren to attend this lodge would put our city brethren to shame. The I. P. M., W. Bro. Needham, who officiated in the Master's absence, himself travelled 37 miles by rail, and some beyond, to attend this meeting, and his work in the first degree stamped him as a fine ritualist. In fact the work of the whole degree was very credit-

able considering the absence of the regular officers. The evening was rounded off by a very pleasant and enjoyable banquet.

Goodwood Lodge, No. 159, Richmond, May 9th. On this visit I was honored by a large deputation from Ottawa. The W. M., W. Bro. Mann, being away in the West, his place was taken by the I. P. M., W. Bro. Bradley, who warmly welcomed us. As none of the candidates appeared, there was no degree work, but as we had some splendid discussion brought out by various questions, the time was profitably spent. After the meeting the brethren entertained us at a splendid banquet, where a happy hour was spent.

Since my visit to "Goodwood," the question of dedication was brought up by the Grand Master; it appears that although the lodge has been meeting in the same hall for over fifty years, yet there have been found no records of its dedication, so that no doubt my successor will be appointed to attend to it.

Corinthian Lodge, No. 476, North Gower, May 12th. I was again accompanied by a large deputation. The brethren of Corinthian welcomed us kindly. The W. M., W. Bro. Pettapiece, and officers exemplified the first degree in a creditable manner. Although one of the younger lodges in the district, it is doing good work and prospering, and already has some able P. Ms. to uphold it. The evening was closed with a pleasant little banquet.

Evergreen Lodge, No. 209, Lanark. My first visit to this lodge was made on November 1st. Unfortunately, the W. M., W. Bro. McLaren, was taken sick that day and unable to be present; and as some of the other officers were also absent and the attendance small, I made up my mind that if possible, I would visit this lodge again. However, the night was by no means wasted, for although the attendance was small, it included some of the stalwarts of the lodge and we had a "heart to heart" talk about the S. C. B. Fund, the finances of the lodge, outstanding dues and prospects generally, in which I was ably assisted by R. W. Bros. Bartram and McIntosh. The outcome, I am led to believe, was an aggressive campaign to collect outstanding dues, raise the S. C. B. Fund, and generally revive interest in the lodge. I had heard of the progress made,

and was therefore glad of the opportunity to visit Evergreen again, which I did on June 6th, accompanied by nine brethren from Carleton Place. The brethren of St. John's have ever taken a deep interest in Evergreen, and have often visited and assisted in the work. We received a kindly welcome from the W. M., W. Bro. McLaren, and brethren. The work of the third degree was well exemplified; the W. M. shewing himself to be a good ritualist. At the election which followed, the W. M. was re-elected. The other officers elected will, I am sure, do their share, and although some of them are very young, masonically, are of the right stamp to make for the success of the lodge. The lodge is now in good financial shape, has paid its quota to the S. C. B. Fund, and has bright prospects. If credit for this state is due to anyone more than another, I am told that it is Bro. T. B. Caldwell, who took a deep interest in the rejuvenation of the lodge. After the meeting the brethren entertained us royally at the hostelry of our good brother the S. W., James Dobbie. I look back on my visit to Evergreen as one of the brightest of my year.

Carleton Lodge, No. 465, Carp, June 9th. It was a warm night, when accompanied by a number of Ottawa brethren we drove into Carp. The temperature of the lodge room was extremely high, but it did not lessen the kindly welcome we received at the hands of the W. M. and brethren, neither did it damp their ardor for work, as the W. M., W. Bro. McElroy, and his officers exemplified the first degree on no less than three candidates, and the work was well done.

By the time the lodge work was over we were all ready and willing to partake of the splendid banquet which had been provided.

On the 28th of April I held a Lodge of Instruction under the auspices of St. John's Lodge, Carleton Place. On this day the corner stone of St. John's new hall was laid by M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt; we therefore had the advantage of the Grand Master's presence at the Lodge of Instruction. The first and second degrees were worked in the afternoon. Pembroke Lodge exemplifying the first and, to use the Grand Master's expression, a "Scrub Team" from Ottawa, the second; and in the evening St. John's Lodge presented the third degree, with its

regular officers. All the degrees were exceptionally well rendered, and were followed by valuable discussion. There was a splendid turnout of brethren, no less than seventeen out of the nineteen lodges in the district being represented. All of the brethren took part also in the ceremony of the laying of the corner stone, and St. John's Lodge had reason to be justly proud of the Masonic gathering in Carleton Place on this occasion. The day was brought to a close by a splendid banquet tendered by St. John's Lodge.

In December, I had the pleasure of installing the officers of Doric, No. 58, Civil Service, No. 148, and Chaudiere, No. 264, ably assisted by R. W. Bros. S. A. Luke and S. S. Davidson; and in June the officers of Dalhousie, No. 52, and Fidelity, No. 231, assisted by R. W. Bros. S. S. Davidson and Wm. Northwood.

The following deaths have been reported to me, viz: Doric, No. 58—W. Bro. Wm. Smith and Bro. J. B. Crawford. Renfrew Lodge, No. 122—Bro. W. G. Austin, Bro. Robt. Logan and Bro. W. H. Tait. Pembroke Lodge, No. 128—W. Bro. S. E. Mitchell and Bro. David Small. Civil Service Lodge, No. 148—Bro. G. F. Emory. Madawaska Lodge, No. 196—Bro. S. F. Graham and W. Bro. Geo. E. Neilson. Fidelity Lodge, No. 231—Bro. J. F. Stewart, Bro. J. E. Heron and Bro. John L. Richardson. Chaudiere Lodge, No. 264—W. Bro. Wm. Hill, W. Bro. W. G. Wilson, Bro. Peter Whelen, Bro. R. J. Edwards, Bro. Geo. Bailey, and Bro. Arthur Begg. Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 371—V. W. Bro. J. W. Turley. Cobden Lodge, No. 459—Bro. George Valiant.

Before closing I wish to thank the lodges for their contributions to the S. C. B. Fund. I can assure you I was very proud of the district, when, under date June 2nd, I received the congratulations of the Grand Master, and advising that we had the honor of being the second district in the province to have paid its full quota to the fund, and something to spare.

I also desire to record my deep appreciation of the kindly and courteous treatment which has always been accorded me by the brethren throughout the district. And, again to thank most heartily the brethren who at various times accompanied me and in no uncertain way

helped to make my visits a success. I feel that I can look back to this as one of the happiest years of my life.

Fraternally submitted,

WALTER M. ROSS, D. D. G. M.,
Ottawa District, No. 16.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Table shewing the work done in Ottawa District No. 16, from June 24th, 1910 to June 24th, 1911

No. of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Total No. of all Mem.	Mem- bership		Degree's			A. M. M.	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet'gs held			Average atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem'rs 12 mths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance		
				Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.	Regular							Emergency	Total												
52	Dalhousie	Ottawa	299	19	27	26	25	2	1	4	3	..	..	4	11	8	19	47	70	00	17	302	90	June 24, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Hall C.
58	Doric	Ottawa	188	5	15	19	12	4	..	2	10	..	..	2	10	7	17	30	165	97	6	169	50	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	\$90 & H.C.
63	St. John's	Carleton Place	163	5	6	2	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	1	12	4	16	27	95	00	7	75	00	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	800 00
122	Renfrew	Renfrew	123	1	3	3	4	1	1	3	..	..	..	3	11	2	13	21	10	00	3	58	00	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Excel't	Yes	1085 00
128	Pembroke	Pembroke	160	7	9	8	10	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	15	8	23	28	..	..	46	257	00	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
147	Mississippi	Almonte	97	5	6	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	12	1	13	19	..	..	19	162	30	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	150 00
148	Civil Service	Ottawa	189	10	17	17	15	5	..	6	..	..	..	1	10	7	17	34	120	32	7	110	00	June 24, '10	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
159	Goodwood	Richmond	88	1	4	5	4	..	..	3	5	..	..	3	11	1	12	19	10	00	8	80	25	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Hall C.
177	The Builders	Ottawa	227	8	12	12	11	..	3	5	2	4	..	2	10	7	17	51	290	47	27	137	75	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Prom.	Yes	Hall C.
196	Madawaska	Arnprior	116	1	4	6	4	2	..	1	2	..	..	3	12	3	15	17	19	25	15	63	00	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Hall C.
209	Evergreen	Lanark	41	..	5	3	3	..	..	4	2	..	..	1	11	1	12	10	243	65	3	9	50	Dec. 27, '10	A1	Excel't	Yes	Hall C.
231	Fidelity	Ottawa	235	9	21	20	2	1	6	5	..	..	..	4	10	11	21	40	127	08	23	316	25	June 24, '10	Good	Good	Yes	Hall C.
264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	223	11	3	15	16	2	..	1	7	..	..	6	10	8	18	26	25	00	31	28	75	Dec. 30, '10	Good	Bright	Yes	Hall C.
371	Pr. of Wales	Ottawa	159	14	15	14	10	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	9	9	13	20	20	00	20	88	00	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	350 00
433	Bonnechere	Eganville	64	1	3	2	2	7	..	1	..	..	..	1	12	7	19	16	..	..	6	39	00	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
459	Cobden	Cobden	71	8	9	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	3	12	15	..	..	..	4	42	75	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Excel't	Yes	500 00
465	Carleton	Carp	58	6	6	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	1	1	20	..	..	..	6	33	75	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Fair	Yes	500 00
476	Corinthian	North Gower	55	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	1	1	20	..	..	..	4	..	..	Dec. 27, '10	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
479	Russell	Russell	64	7	6	9	10	2	..	1	..	..	..	14	1	13	20	50	00	..	..	..	..	Dec. 24, '10	Good	Good	Yes	300 90

ALGOMA DISTRICT, No. 17.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

In presenting for your consideration the report on the condition of Masonry in this district during the past year, I wish first to express my fullest appreciation of the honor conferred in electing me to the office of District Deputy Grand Master.

As the Committee on the Condition of Masonry in their last annual report recommended concentration and a certain amount of elimination in the annual report of the D. D. G. Ms., with which recommendation I heartily agree, I trust that many worthy brethren of this district will not take it as a slight if no mention is made of the many kind attentions I have received from them during my term of office.

Not being present at the meeting of Grand Lodge, I was installed by R. W. Bro. T. W. Chapple, assisted by R. W. Bro. T. J. Cherry, at a meeting of the Lake of the Woods Lodge, and my first official act was to issue a letter to each lodge in the district, directing their attention to the amendments to the constitution made by Grand Lodge at its last meeting, and requesting their observance of same, also bringing to the attention of the various lodges the sum disbursed in charity by Grand Lodge, and urging upon them the desirability of assisting Grand Lodge in this noble work by completing their quota towards the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund.

I am pleased to report that in the aggregate this district has contributed an amount exceeding its full quota towards this most worthy cause, showing that the brethren are possessed of not the word only, but also the spirit of Masonry.

During my term of office I visited every lodge in the district, and with but two exceptions, on their regular nights of meeting, and am pleased to report that generally speaking, the lodges were found in suitable quarters,

comfortably furnished, and with officers filled with zeal for Masonry, and ambitious to promote the welfare of their lodges. Every lodge in the district is to be congratulated upon having an efficient and faithful Secretary, and to them is due much of the credit for the satisfactory condition in which the various lodges were found.

During my term of office I have endeavored to impress upon the brethren my views on the admission of members to the order—that members alone did not constitute success, that no candidate should be accepted unless they were satisfied that he was capable of appreciating the beauties and willing to practice the teachings of the order, nor should any such be refused on the ground of some personal pique or disagreement, and I have been much gratified at the cordial reception accorded them.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Keewatin Lodge, No. 417, Keewatin. My first official visit was made to this lodge at a special meeting held December 9th. W. Bro. Elson, W. M., in the chair when the third degree was conferred in a most impressive manner by the W. M. and his officers. The election of officers in this lodge being held in December, I again visited it at their regular meeting, July 7th, when W. Bro. Galloway, W. M., conferred the second degree in a manner both pleasing and interesting. Keewatin Lodge has always prided itself upon its exactitude in observing the ancient landmarks, and as long as they have P. M^s. like W. Bro. McColl and R. W. Bro. Cherry in regular attendance the present standard of work will be maintained. Keewatin Lodge is also to be congratulated upon having such an efficient Secretary as Bro. Holmes, who has held the office so long that he is now regarded as a fixture. Owing to the large number of absentee members, this lodge finds it a constant struggle financially to meet the payments due upon its hall, and as a consequence still has a balance unpaid upon its quota to the S. C. B. F., but the resident members have probably contributed as liberally to this fund as have many lodges who are paid in full.

Golden Star, No. 484, Dryden. Visited this lodge at its regular meeting February 14th. Rev. A. J. Bruce, W. M., in the chair. Three candidates were initiated,

and both the W. M. and his officers are entitled to credit for their proficiency in the work. The books of the lodge are well kept, and the Secretary is to be congratulated for the way in which he collects the annual dues. In a small town like Dryden the temptation is to accept undesirable material in order to show progress, but with the bright prospects of a material growth to the town, Golden Star can well afford to bide its time and accept only those who will be Masons as well as members.

Royal Lodge, No. 453, Fort William. Visited this lodge at an emergent meeting called for the purpose on March 6th. On account of the absence of the W. M., W. Bro. Swinburne, the chair was taken by P. M., W. Bro. J. J. McRae, who, with the assistance of the regular officers of the lodge, conferred the third degree in a manner which showed that both he and the officers of the lodge are proficient in degree work. The financial affairs of this lodge are most ably cared for by W. Bro. F. C. Perry, who fills the office of Secretary with satisfaction to the lodge and credit to himself. They have also contributed their full quota to the S. C. B. Fund.

Shuniah Lodge, No. 287, Port Arthur. Visited this lodge at their regular meeting on March 7th, when I had the pleasure and honor of dedicating their new lodge rooms. Shuniah lodge is to be congratulated upon possessing such handsome and commodious quarters, in a Masonic Temple, designed, built and owned by themselves, and also upon having as members such veterans in Masonry as R. W. Bros. Thompson, Ray, Dobie and others too numerous to mention. With such accomodation and such a brilliant array of P. D. D. G. Ms. and P. Ms., there will be no question but that Shuniah will continue to send out from her portals Masons who will be an honor to the craft and a credit to their mother lodge. On account of the time being taken up in dedication ceremonies, there was no degree work upon the night of my visit, but was assured that the officers are zealous and efficient. In addition to financing their new temple this lodge has paid in its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund. W. Bro. Gurney makes a most efficient Secretary, and the lodge owes him a debt of gratitude for the manner in which he cares for their finances.

Fort William Lodge, No. 415, Fort William. Visited this lodge at their regular meeting March 8th. W. Bro. McLure, W. M., presiding. There was a large attendance of members which I much appreciated, it being the third night in succession of Masonic meetings, many of the brethren of both this and the Royal having attended the dedication of Shuniah the previous evening. The E. A. degree was conferred upon a candidate, and both the W. M. and his officers demonstrated their familiarity with the work, all down to the lecture of the J. W. being correctly rendered. This lodge has also contributed its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund.

Masonic prospects are bright in all three lodges in the compound cities at the head of the great lakes, nor can it be otherwise, when, with the marvelous growth and development of the two cities, is coupled the regular attendance at lodge meetings of a large number of P. D. D. G. Ms. and P. Ms., who fully realize the obligation imposed upon them of maintaining a high standard of Masonic life.

Lake of the Woods Lodge, No. 445, Kenora. On December 27th there was a joint meeting of this and Kewatin Lodge, when I had the pleasure of installing, with the assistance of R. W. Bro. Cherry, the officers of the two lodges, and at their regular meeting April 12th, paid them an official visit when the W. M., W. Bro. G. A. Toole, conferred the third degree in a most impressive manner. This lodge has always exercised an almost fastidious care in the selection of members, and as a consequence, both officers and members appear to be equally capable of taking any part in the lodge work. A more regular attendance at both lodge meetings on the part of the resident members is what is most needed here. Their full quota towards the S. C. B. Fund has been contributed by this lodge.

Pequonga Lodge, No. 414, Kenora. This being my mother lodge, I felt sufficiently informed as to the work being done, to delay my official visit until their regular meeting May 3rd, when the third degree was conferred by the W. M., W. Bro. Sharman. It is not because I am a member of this lodge and twice filled the chair as W. M., but because I believe it to be due them, that I say Pequonga Lodge has been singularly fortunate for the past number of years in having as W. Ms. brethren

who knew the work thoroughly, and who insisted upon every candidate knowing all his, before being advanced. Largely, I believe, as a consequence of this, the lodge is prosperous financially, and Masonically enthusiastic. \$100.00 more than their quota has been contributed to the S. C. B. Fund.

Granite Lodge, No. 446, Fort Frances. Visited this lodge at their regular meeting June 6th. W. Bro. Warner, W. M., conferred the third degree. This was the most disappointing visit I had yet made. With the exception of the J. W.'s portion, the work throughout was of a slipshod character, which greatly marred the beauty and impressiveness of the work in this degree, besides being unfair to the candidate, who could not possibly appreciate the lesson intended to be conveyed. This lodge has also paid its full quota to the S. C. B. Fund. I would strongly urge upon my successor the holding of a Lodge of Instruction here at as early a date in his term as possible.

Ionic Lodge, No. 461, Rainy River. This lodge was visited at a special meeting on June 7th. Largely, I believe, by reason of a severe electrical storm, there was but a small number present. The W. M. opened and closed in the three degrees, and from the manner in which this was done, I feel satisfied that Ionic has competent officers who are capable of doing creditable work. Along with the town and district, this lodge has suffered from the effects of the destructive fires of last fall, but in spite of that they have paid in their full quota to the S. C. B. Fund.

Before closing this report, I would like to urge upon the P. Ms. that it is their duty to still attend lodge meetings after having passed the chair, as it is very noticeable that in a lodge where there is a good attendance of P. Ms., the standard of work is higher, and the good influence of Masonry more evident.

In conclusion, I wish to express my thanks to the brethren throughout the district for the kind reception everywhere accorded me, and it is with a fuller appreciation of the beauty and value of Masonry that I now retire from office.

Fraternally submitted,

D. H. CURRIE, D. D. G. M.,
Algoma District No. 17.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
Table shewing the work done in Algoma District No. 17 from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

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NIPISSING DISTRICT No. 18.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report upon the condition of Masonry in the 18th Masonic District for the year.

I desire to express my appreciation to the brethren of the district for the honor they conferred on me in electing me to the high and important office of D. D. G. M. I also want to thank the W. M., officers and brethren of the various lodges in the district for the courteous manner in which they received and entertained me on my official visits throughout the district.

The first step I took after being elected was to appoint W. Bro. Frank K. Ebbitt, Haileybury, District Secretary, and Bro. E. P. S. Spencer, of Cobalt, District Chaplain, and notified all the lodges throughout the district of my appointment by an official letter.

I also sent out to the lodges in this district the following official letter :

“Liskeard, Ont., Oct. 28th, 1911.

“To the W. M., Officers and Brethren :

“Dear Brethren: Having sent you a circular announcing my appointment to high and important office of D. D. G. M. of Nipissing District No. 18, and which I am more than indebted for to the District. I trust that everything will run smoothly and that harmony and good feeling will prevail during my term of office, as it has been the good fortune of my predecessors before me. There are just a few points to which I wish to call the attention of the Wor. Masters, officers and brethren, viz. :—

“1. Clause 149 of the Constitution relating to Installation of the incoming W. M. The Installing Master must not install the incoming W. M. until the committee of three P. Ms. have signed the report that the incoming W. M. is familiar with the work.

"2. Clause 192 and 192(A) to clause 192(I) of the constitution relating to the balloting of candidates, also clauses 196-199 and 230.

"3. It is absolutely essential that the Wardens should be able to give their lectures, and also that the charges are given after the conferring of each degree, either by the W. M. or some other brother of the lodge.

"4. Dues. Do not let the members get too far behind in their payments. Have them pay in advance if possible, for if they get too far behind it is like paying for something you have not received, it is easier to pay one year's dues than two.

"5. Returns. I hope the Secretaries will not forget this important matter, and I would call their attention to Clause 164 of the constitution, as your D. D. G. M. is very anxious to keep in touch with the work that is being done in the district, also please be prompt with the Grand Lodge returns.

"6. I would recommend that the members of the lodges return their old constitutions to the Secretary of their lodge, and that they procure the latest edition, as it is very important that the brethren should be conversant with the constitution, as there are a great many changes since the issue of 1900, and important changes too.

"7. S. C. F. While this district has more than paid their share to this fund, still I think it would be a good idea to give any brother who has not paid, a chance to pay, as I have no doubt that there are some who would if it were explained to them, also to give the candidates an opportunity of assisting in this noble fund. There is still between \$20,000 and \$25,000 to be made up yet and which sum I trust the M. W. the Grand Master will be able to report is all paid by next Grand Lodge meeting.

"Hoping to visit you before very long, I remain,
fraternally yours,

FRANK W. HAYNES,

"D. D. G. M."

During my official visitations at the various lodges I was very anxious that the officers and brethren should get the new penalties, as they are to be permanent instead of changing as they have been for the past years. I also found the brethren very anxious to get them, so

I had several of the brethren in each lodge repeat them before we left the lodge rooms, and in fact in some cases I stayed for an hour or two after the banquet was over to give them an opportunity to make sure they had them correct.

I also found in some lodges that they were a little too anxious, if an officer was not present, to take a P. M. and fill the office. This I objected to and recommended that in case of an officer not being present, to take some brother from the side bench and give him a chance. By so doing you get that brother interested, and others say well, if he can fill that office, so can I if I get a chance. By so doing you get the brethren on the side benches interested and also you have a better chance of choosing your officers from year to year. Let the P. Ms. assist the W. Ms. in the performance of their duties.

Dues. I find that the reason of so much back dues is that this being a mining district more or less, and that the brethren are changing around so much that it is next to impossible to keep track of them, they give the Secretary the address of the place they are going to, but when they leave there they do not notify the Secretary of the lodge. The consequence is that the Secretary does not know where the brother is, and does not wish to suspend the brother, expecting to hear from him at any time.

Wardens, Lectures and Charges. I find the Wardens throughout the district able to give the lectures and give them well. I find the charges also given throughout the district in every case either by the W. M. or some of the brethren.

The work throughout the district as a whole is first-class and may well be placed in the front ranks throughout the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, thanks to my predecessors.

The few little irregularities which sometimes creep in we have straightened out to the best of our ability. There are some irregularities which creep into some lodges from some other source which is not in keeping with the constitution of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in Ontario. These we have straightened out.

Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund. This the district has all paid up and overpaid, yet I advised all the lodges

that, as it was a great benefit to a great many widows and orphans of deceased Masons, and also to some Masons who through misfortune and calamity have been reduced to poverty and distress. I asked the officers and members to mention and explain this great fund to the newly initiated brother, as not a few would be only too glad to contribute something towards this great fund, and in all cases I received a glad response.

Fraternal Dead. There has been a number in the 18th District pass to the Grand Lodge above. Those that I have received notice of are as follows, and were buried with Masonic honors: Bro. William Mitchell, of Nickel Lodge, No. 427, Sudbury, buried Aug. 18th, 1910; Bro. James R. Kinler, Temiskaming Lodge, No. 462, Liskeard; Bro. John Rutledge and W. Bro. A. M. Ross, of Temiskaming Lodge, No. 462. Bro. Wm. Bell, a demited member of Mattawa Lodge, No. 405; Bro. Joseph Scott, of Penewobikong Lodge, No. 487, Blind River. These are all that I have had notice of.

Lodge of Instruction. One Lodge of Instruction was held in the district this year. On September 27th a Lodge of Instruction was held at Haileybury, at which the M. W. the Grand Master M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. R. L. Gunn, were present. There were also present on that occasion R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, R. W. Bro. A. C. Rorabeck and V. W. Bro. Weagar, all of North Bay, and R. W. Bro. A. J. Whitby, of Parry Sound.

The lodge was opened in the first degree by Haileybury officers, after which W. Bro. T. C. McLaren, W. M. of Silver Lodge, No. 486, Cobalt, and his excellent staff of officers, conferred the first degree in a most creditable manner. The second degree was conferred by the officers of Temiskaming Lodge, No. 462, Liskeard. W. Bro. A. A. McKelvie and his efficient staff of officers created a favorable impression, both on the candidate and the brethren present. The third degree was conferred by Nipissing Lodge, No. 420, North Bay. W. Bro. A. H. McMullen and his staff of officers doing the work well, and almost faultlessly. There was a large gathering at both the afternoon and evening sessions. The officers of the various lodges deserve praise for the manner in which the work was exemplified, which shows the healthy condition of Masonry in the district. After

the officers of Haileybury lodge had closed down in the three degrees, the brethren were escorted to the banquet hall where the tables were laden with th good things awaiting them. There were about 200 brethren at the banquet and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

On the following day, Sept. 28th, the M. W. the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, laid the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple at Cobalt with impressive ceremony, at which a large gathering of Masons and spectators were present. After which ceremony the M. W. the Grand Master was driven around the town and visited some of the mines.

On Sept. 29th, the M. W. the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Whitby and myself visited Liskeard, where the first Lodge in the northern part of the district was instituted, Temiskaming Lodge No. 462, and after a trip around the pretty town visited the lodge rooms and all were pleased with the comfortable quarters of this lodge.

Dedication. I dedicated Silver Lodge, No. 486, Cobalt, on March 6th, 1911, assisted by the R. W. Bro. C. W. Haentschel, P. D. D. G, M., at which the brethren of Haileybury and Temiskaming Lodges attended in large numbers.

Books. The books throughout the district are well kept.

VISITATIONS

Jan. 30th, 1911, Nipissing Lodge, No. 420, North Bay. I was accompanied on this occasion by R. W. Bro. A. C. Rorabeck and V. W. Bro. Weager. Work of the evening, third degree, well conferred, in fact perfect; attendance large; books well kept, and appointments good.

Jan. 31st, Sturgeon Falls Lodge, No. 447, Sturgeon Falls. Work second degree, well conferred; attendance good, considering that the pulp mill which gives most of the employment in the town was shut down for some time; meeting emergent; quarters good, and appointments also good.

February 1st, Nickel Lodge, No. 427, Sudbury. Meeting regular; work first degree; good candidate and work well conferred; attendance fair. While I was here

was the starting of that big snow storm, and that accounts for some of the lodges not having larger attendance on my visits. This lodge has beautiful quarters; appointments good, and books well kept.

February 2nd, Penewobikong Lodge, No. 487, Blind River. The baby lodge of the district. Meeting emergent; no degree work, candidate failed to put in appearance, storm bound; opened and closed in the three degrees; officers did their work well. The officers are very enthusiastic in their work. Quarters very good; appointments fair; books well kept; attendance fair.

February 3rd, Dymont Lodge, No. 442, Thessalon. Meeting emergent; work second degree, well put on; very good quarters; appointments very good; books well kept; attendance fair.

February 6th, Algoma Lodge, No. 469, Sault Ste. Marie. I was accompanied on this occasion by R. W. Bro. J. B. Way. Meeting emergent; work of the evening third degree, well conferred, almost faultless. One commendable feature of the officers of this lodge is the prompt manner in which they respond when spoken to by the W. M. They take pride in doing their work well. Attendance large; quarters first-class; appointments good; books well kept.

February 7th, Keystone Lodge, No. 412, Sault Ste. Marie. R. W. Bro. J. B. Way accompanied me on this occasion; meeting regular; work of the evening first degree, well put on, P. Ms. always willing to assist. W. M. and officers take great pride in their work. Attendance good; quarters first-class; appointments good; books well kept.

February 9th, Mattawa Lodge, No. 405, Mattawa. I was accompanied on this visit by R. W. Bro. Haentschell. Meeting emergent; work of the evening two seconds, well put on considering that this lodge has so many members all over Ontario. They make a great many members in this lodge, and elect good officers, but it is hard to keep them, it having been in the past a lumbering town, and is decreasing rather than increasing, yet the brethren are still at the helm and are getting new young blood which is going to bring Mattawa Lodge back to its old standing again. Attendance very good; quarters good; appointments first-class; books in good shape.

March 2nd, Haileybury Lodge, No. 485, Haileybury. Meeting regular. Work third degree, well put on. This lodge has the distinction of doing the work well, and still retains that reputation. Attendance large; quarters good; appointments first-class; books well kept. R. W. Bro. Dr. Haentschell accompanied me on this occasion.

March 6th, Silver Lodge, No. 486, Cobalt. Meeting emergent, called for dedication and my official visit. I was also assisted by R. W. Bro. Haentschell. Work of the third degree, well put on. The W. M. and officers of this lodge take pride in doing things right. They are to be complimented on the step they have taken in building themselves a beautiful temple of their own. There are two lodges in the district that own their own building, Silver Lodge, Cobalt, and Temiskaming Lodge, New Liskeard. Attendance large; quarters first-class; appointments good; books well kept.

March 16th, Temiskaming Lodge, No. 462, New Liskeard. R. W. Bro. Haentschell accompanied me on this visit also. Meeting regular. Work of the evening, first and second degrees, conferred by the W. M. and officers in a complimentary manner. This is my own lodge, of which I am a charter member, and never miss a meeting when at home. Attendance good; quarters first-class; own their building; appointments good; books well kept.

May 16th, Doric Lodge, No. 455, Little Current. R. W. Bro. J. B. Wallace accompanied me on this occasion. Meeting emergent. Work, third degree, ably exemplified, attendance very fair, quarters good, appointments good, books well kept.

May 17th, Gore Bay Lodge, No. 472, Gore Bay. Meeting emergent. Work first degree, well put on, almost faultless. This lodge is to be complimented on their officers for the way in which they do their work, cool and collected. Attendance fair, quarters very good, appointments good, books well kept.

In conclusion I may say that throughout the district I find the officers and brethren very enthusiastic, and they appear to be very careful in the selection of their officers, which is one commendable feature of the district. Long may they continue in that same path.

I found in lodges in the district many different ways of giving the penalties, these I corrected.

We discovered at Nickel Lodge, No. 427, at their regular meeting, that there could be an improvement made in the new ballot boxes, that is in the white box, by changing the trimmings in the white box from black to white as it would be easier to detect a black ball in the white trimmings than in the black, so I wrote the Grand Secretary and was pleased to note the change.

I wish to express my appreciation to the brethren of Nipissing District, No. 18, for the courteous manner in which they received me and assisted me in the discharge of my duties as D. D. G. M. of this district.

I have tried to fill this high and important office to the best of my ability.

Fraternally submitted,

FRANK W. HAYNES, D. D. G. M.

Nipissing District, No. 18.

MUSKOKA DISTRICT, No. 19.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honor of presenting my report on the condition of Masonry in Muskoka District, No. 19.

Before doing so I wish to thank the brethren of the district for electing me to the high office of D. D. G. M., and for the hearty manner in which I was received on the occasion of my official visits, and their co-operation in advancing the interests of Masonry in the district.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. Jos. Hilliar, District Secretary, and W. Bro. A. H. Allman, District Chaplain, both of Corona Lodge, No. 454, Burks Falls.

I immediately took up the matter of a Lodge of Instruction with the lodges, of which more will appear hereafter in this report, also the Semi-Centennial Fund. Of the eight lodges in this district, four had already paid their quota in full; of the remaining four, Golden Rule, No. 409, Gravenhurst, and Unity Lodge, No. 376, Huntsville, have paid in full. Powassau Lodge, No. 443, Powassau, has paid \$40.00, leaving a balance of \$42.00 still due; which they have promised to pay before the end of the year. Granite Lodge, No. 352, Parry Sound, has also promised to complete its quota soon. On account of the scattered membership of some of the lodges, in some cases more than half the members being non-resident, it has been a hard task to collect, notably Granite, No. 352; but I am pleased to report that all are earnestly doing their utmost to complete this fund.

A Lodge of Instruction was held at Huntsville on February 1st, 1911, under the auspices of Unity Lodge, No. 376, which was the most successful ever held in the district. There was a large attendance of members from every lodge in the district. Keen interest was taken by all present in the proceedings and I have found in my official visits that great and lasting benefit resulted from the meeting.

The occasion was honored by the presence of M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, G. M., R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Toronto, R. W. Bro. G. E. Brown, D. D. G. M., District No. 9, and W. Bro. James Lumbers, Toronto.

The lodge was opened by Unity Lodge, No. 376, Huntsville, W. Bro. Wainwright, W. M., in the chair, who welcomed the visiting brethren in a very cordial manner. W. Bro. Ferguson and officers, of Muskoka Lodge, No. 360, Bracebridge, then occupied the chairs and conferred the first degree in a most impressive manner, the W. Master's work being especially good.

Corona Lodge, No. 454, Burks Falls, opened the lodge in the second degree, and W. Bro. Jos. Hilliar and officers of Corona Lodge conferred the second degree in a most intelligent manner.

The lodge was then called off for tea and at the evening session, after the lodge had been called to labor, the first order of business was the official reception of the M. W. the Grand Master, and other Grand Lodge officers, This being over the lodge was opened in the third degree by W. Bro. Geo. Molyneaux and officers, who then conferred the third degree very creditably indeed.

Discussion followed each degree, which brought out, and assisted to correct, any mistake which had occurred, and too much praise cannot be given the M. W. the Grand Master for his courtesy and kindness in this respect.

Golden Rule Lodge, No. 409, with W. Bro. Wasley in the chair, closed the lodge in the third and second degrees in a faultless manner, after which Unity Lodge, No. 376, closed the lodge, and tendered a most bountiful banquet to the visiting brethren. A pleasing feature of the banquet was the presentation of R. W. Bro. J. N. Shearer, of a cheque for \$109.85 to the M. W. the G. M., being the quota in full, due by Unity Lodge, No. 376, to the Semi-Centennial Fund.

The responses by the Grand Master to the toast of "The G. M.," and the presentation of the cheque, will long be remembered by the brethren present. I cannot close the account of this Lodge of Instruction without expressing my gratitude to W. Bro. Wainwright and officers of Unity Lodge for their co-operation and kindness to me in assisting to make this occasion a lasting benefit to Masonry throughout the district.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Strong Lodge, No. 423, Sundridge: I made my official visit to this lodge on February 20th, 1911. There was a good attendance and three splendid candidates were given the first degree in a fairly good manner by W. Bro. May and officers. The attendance was very good, and as the P. Ms. attend well and take a great interest in the work, the prospects are good. The finances are in fair condition, and the books well kept by W. Bro. Wickett, P. M. A splendid fourth degree was much enjoyed by all.

Muskoka Lodge, No. 360, Bracebridge. Visited this lodge officially on April 4th, 1911. As there was no work on, I requested W. Bro. Ferguson, W. M., to open and close in the three degrees, which, on the whole, was well done. The attendance was only fair, and considering the financial state of the lodge, and the good support of the Past Masters, greater progress might reasonably be expected. This lodge is not yet dedicated, but the matter is under consideration, and will no doubt be attended to in due time. A very pleasant fourth degree brought a most enjoyable visit to a close.

Corona Lodge, No. 454, Burk's Falls. This being my mother lodge, and not having been dedicated since the fire, I had the pleasure of dedicating it on March 10th, 1911. I was assisted on the occasion by P. D. G. Ms. H. L. Barber, Jas. Whitten, J. E. Fisher, J. N. Shearer and Jas. H. Metcalfe, and the impressive ceremony of dedication was performed in an excellent manner, and much enjoyed by the members of Corona Lodge and visiting brethren. This being the only business of the evening, at its close a banquet was held for the visiting brothers and members, at which a very pleasant time was spent. This lodge is slowly recovering and is being carefully managed by the W. M. and officers. On account of a large non-resident membership, the attendance is not large, but the enthusiasm for the work is strong and prospects are good for a healthy growth.

Golden Rule Lodge, No. 409, Gravenhurst. I officially visited this lodge on April 10th, 1911, and was most cordially received by W. Bro. Wasley and members. This lodge has fine rooms, its finances are in good shape, all the business is conducted in the manner required by

the constitution. The work of the evening was conferring the third degree, which was done in a most excellent manner by W. Bro. Wasley, W.M., and officers. I very much enjoyed the meeting, as everything was done in a most dignified manner, such as properly belongs to Masonry. The attendance was good, and W. M. Wasley is ably supported by the P. Ms. At the conclusion of the work, I had the pleasure of presenting a P. M's. jewel to W. Bro. McLeay, I.P.M. After the lodge was closed, a splendid fourth degree was served in their banquet room, which was particularly enjoyed by the numerous visitors.

Powassan Lodge, No. 443, Powassan. I officially visited this lodge on April 14th, 1911. Although it was a holiday there was a good attendance, and there is an improvement in this lodge, in financial affairs and prospects. The work of the evening was interesting, on account of the first degree being confirmed on the son of W. Bro. Jas. Arthurs, W.M. At the meeting \$40.00 was paid on account of the Semi-Centennial Fund, which left a balance of \$42.00 due, with good prospects of it being paid before the end of the year. There are some very fine musicians in this lodge, who contributed materially to the pleasure of the fourth degree at the close of the evening's work.

Algonquin Lodge, No. 434, Emsdale. Accompanied by W. Bro. Hilliar, District Secretary, and W. Bro. Allman, District Chaplain, I visited this lodge in my official capacity on April 19th, 1911, where I found all affairs in connection with the lodge in a most excellent condition. W. Bro. Milligan must be congratulated on his work, and the good financial standing, due in a large degree to the good work of R. W. Bro. Jas. H. Metcalfe as Secretary. The work of the evening was conferring the second degree, which was done in an excellent manner. There was a large number of visitors present from various lodges in the district, and also of members of the lodge. At the close of the evening's work, an informal reception was held in the lodge room, at which the ladies were present, after which an adjournment was made to the banquet room, where a most excellent repast was partaken of. W. Bro. Milligan occupied the chair, and a programme of speeches and music was listened to with pleasure and profit. During the banquet, as part of the

programme, I had the great pleasure of presenting to W. Bro. R. McConkey, P.M., of Algonquin Lodge, a Past Master's jewel in recognition of faithful service, to the lodge, after which a most enjoyable evening was brought to a close by the J. W's toast.

Unity Lodge, No. 376, Huntsville. On May 10th, accompanied by Bro. J. J. Wilson, of Corona, 454, I made my official visit to this lodge. The attendance was very good, and there being no candidates present ready for their degrees. W. Bro. Wainwright, W.M., opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees in a very good manner. The books of the lodge are splendidly kept by V. W. Bro. Grant. The lodge room is very tastefully furnished, and all the work of the lodge is done in accordance with the constitution. The harmony and brotherly feeling that seems to exist in this lodge is to be commended, and visitors are many and always welcome. The P. Ms. are faithful in attending, notably R. W. Bros. Fisher and Shearer. After lodge closed a social time was spent in the banqueting room.

Granite Lodge, No. 352, Parry Sound. I made my official visit to this lodge on May 17th, 1911, accompanied by Bro. J. J. Wilson, of Corona Lodge. On our arrival we were cordially welcomed by R. W. Bro. J. H. Knifton and Bro. J. P. Weeks. This is one of the largest and most prosperous lodges in the district, as they own the large block in which the lodge rooms are situated. There is a large non-resident membership, which makes the attendance small in proportion. The financial affairs are in good shape and the books are well kept by the energetic Secretary, R. W. Bro. Knifton. The work of conferring the first degree upon two candidates was carried out by W. Bro. G. Molyneux in a very correct manner. This lodge has not yet completed the Semi-Centennial Fund, but from indications, will do so by the July meeting. After the lodge closed a very pleasant time was spent in the banquet room.

In closing this report, I must mention that all the lodges are working in harmony, the P. Ms. in every lodge are regular in attendance and assisting the W. Ms. Care is being exercised in the admission of candidates in the majority of the lodges.

In conclusion, permit me to say that during my term of office and on the occasion of my official visits, the re-

ceptions on my behalf have been most fraternal, and I wish to warmly express my thanks and great appreciation of the same, and any shortcomings on my part I trust may be forgiven, as I endeavored to fulfill the duties of the office of D. D. G. M. to the best of my ability.

Fraternally submitted,

J. W. HARRIS, D. D. G. M.,
Muskoka District No. 19.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table showing the work done in Muskoka District, No. 19, from June 24th, 1910, to June 24th, 1911

Number of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Mem-ber-ship		Degree's		Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		Decrease during year		E. A.		F. C.		M. M.		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet-ings held		Average atten'tice of members		Amount paid for relief	No. m.e'b's 12 m'ths in a'rt's	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W.M. work all degrees	Insurance																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																											
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OTONABEE DISTRICT No. 20.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario :*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

In submitting for your consideration my report of the condition and progress of Masonry in this district for the year ending June 30th, 1911, I desire first to express my appreciation of the confidence reposed in me by my brethren in electing me to the responsible position of D. D. G. M. at the meeting of Grand Lodge at Belleville. I accepted the position with a full sense of the responsibilities it imposed upon me.

Masonry in this district may truly be said to be in a flourishing condition, and the prospects for the future of nearly all the lodges are bright. I have visited each lodge in the district, and the work with few exceptions was well put on.

On Thursday, June 15th, 1911, a Lodge of Instruction was held at Bowmanville under the auspices of Jerusalem Lodge, No. 31, when the three degrees were exemplified as follows: The E. A. degree by the officers of Hope Lodge, No. 114; the F. C. degree by the officers of Jerusalem Lodge, No. 31; the M. M. degree by Corinthian Lodge, No. 101, and Peterborough No. 155. There was a good attendance and I desire especially to express my gratitude to W. Bro. C. B. Kent and W. Bro. J. S. Moorcraft and the officers and members of Jerusalem Lodge for their valuable assistance.

An especial communication of Grand Lodge having been called by the M. W. the Grand Master to dedicate Jerusalem lodge on February 8th, 1911, the dedication ceremony was performed by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, P.G.M., assisted by other Grand Lodge officers.

An especial communication of Grand Lodge was held at Norwood on May 12th, 1911, when M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding dedicated Norwood lodge, No. 223.

In my official visits I have found very great harmony prevailing in all of the lodges, and nothing could exceed

the kindness and cordiality with which on all occasions I was received.

In the matter of the S. C. B. Fund I am very pleased indeed to say that the amount has been raised in full by all of the lodges of the district.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Orono Lodge, No. 325. I visited this lodge on Nov. 10th, 1910, and was received with grand honors. The third degree was put on in a very creditable manner. The books are well kept and the lodge is in a prosperous condition.

Durham Lodge, No. 66, Newcastle. I made my visit to this my mother lodge Nov. 15, 1910. W. Bro. Geo. Joll occupied the chair and the officers were nearly all present. There was no work put on, but W. Bro. Joll is an enthusiastic Mason and well posted in the work, and Durham Lodge is in a prosperous condition.

Jerusalem Lodge, No. 31, Bowmanville. I made my visit on Nov. 16th, 1910. I was introduced by R. W. Bro. Bounsall. The work put on that evening I have never seen excelled anywhere. In fact, I do not think the work can be excelled by any lodge. The books are well kept and the finances well managed.

Corinthian Lodge, No. 101, Peterborough. I made my visit Nov. 18, 1910, and met a very hearty reception at the hands of the members. W. Bro. R. P. Watt invited me to the East, after which the work of the third degree was put on in a manner that proved the officers to be well skilled in the work. A large number of P. Ms. take a deep interest in the affairs of the lodge, which is a matter of congratulation.

Lorne Lodge, No. 375, Omemee. My visit to this lodge was made on Dec. 21, 1910. I found Masonry at a pretty low ebb. I arrived about noon and called on quite a number of the members who lived in town, and in the evening had a very good meeting. It was their election of officers, and Dr. N. H. Sutton, then J. W. of the lodge, was elected W. M., and since W. Bro. Sutton has been W. M. the lodge has been meeting regularly and putting on work at each meeting, and has also paid the amount due the S. C. B. Fund, and the lodge is in a very prosperous condition.

J. B. Hall Lodge, No. 145, Millbrook, I visited on Jan. 12th, 1911. I found a good number of brethren present. The W. M., W. Bro. G. S. Carveth, is an enthusiastic Mason, as is W. Bro. Chas. Thorndyke, the Secretary. There was no work put on. The books are kept neatly, and I found the S. C. B. Fund had been paid. R. W. Bro. A. A. Smith added much to the interest of the meeting.

Peterborough Lodge, No. 155, Peterborough. I visited this lodge on Dec. 2nd, 1910. The F. C. degree was conferred on a candidate and the manner in which the work was exemplified reflected credit on W. Bro. A. P. McLean and his staff of officers. R. W. Bro. Walkey, the Secretary, is a tower of strength to this lodge. His books are models of neatness. I was very much gratified to see so many P. Ms., who are ever ready to assist the W. M.

Havelock Lodge, No. 435, Havelock. I visited Havelock Lodge, January 13, 1911, and installed their officers. The newly installed Master retired after the officers were installed on account of the sickness of his wife. The chair was taken by the I. P. M., W. Bro. Boylan, and the F. C. degree was conferred on one candidate in a manner which was a very great credit to all the officers. The books are well and neatly kept and the finances are in good condition. There was a good attendance and prospects are bright for the lodge.

Hope Lodge, No. 114, Port Hope. On April 7th, 1911, I visited this lodge, being their first meeting in their new lodge rooms. I met a very hearty reception. One candidate was initiated, and the work of the W. M. and his officers was above all criticism. A short time after my visit the S. C. B. was paid in full. The lodge is in a very prosperous condition.

Ontario Lodge, No. 26, Port Hope. I visited this lodge in their new rooms on April 21st, 1911. There was a large number of members present. W. Bro. Morris, with his officers, conferred the F. C. degree on one candidate in a very creditable manner.

Norwood Lodge, No. 223, Norwood. I made my official visit on May 12th, 1911, the lodge rooms having just been dedicated. The rooms are beautifully furnished. There was no work to put on. The books are well

and neatly kept. R. W. Bro. Dr. Ford is a tower of strength to the lodge, and everything points to a year of prosperity.

Clementi Lodge, No. 313, Lakefield. On June 6th, 1911, I visited this lodge. Found them nicely settled in their new lodge rooms. There were a large number of members present, and the work of the first degree was put on in a very creditable manner by W. Bro. Tate and his officers. A gratifying feature of the meeting was the large number of P. Ms. present, who assisted in the work when requested.

Keene Lodge, No. 374, Keene. June 7th, 1911, I made my official visit. The weather being unfavorable, there was a small attendance. I met a very cordial reception. There was no work to put on. The books are well and neatly kept, and its finances are well looked after.

In closing my report I find in answer to enquiries that the funds of each lodge are kept in a chartered bank and are paid out by cheque signed by the proper officers, also that two Masonic halls in this district are still undedicated, viz.: Clementi Lodge, No. 313, Lakefield, and Ontario Lodge, No. 26, and Hope Lodge, No. 114, of Port Hope.

In conclusion, permit me again to thank the brethren of the district for the honor conferred upon me and my mother lodge in electing me D. D. G. M., and for the courteous manner in which I have invariably been received on my official visits.

Fraternally submitted,

A. W. McLEOD, D. D. G. M.,
Otonabee District No. 20.

EASTERN DISTRICT No. 21.

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A.
M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

In presenting my report as to the condition of Masonry in Eastern District No. 21, I desire first to express my thanks to every lodge in the district for the honor granted me in my election, and for the uniformly courteous treatment accorded me upon all my official visits. I also desire to say to Grand Lodge that, on the whole, Masonry is in a satisfactory condition in this district.

This does not mean that it cannot be improved, for it can, and I believe will be, in many respects during 1911 and 1912.

During my official year I paid special attention to the following matters, viz.:—

1st. The Semi-Centennial Fund.

2nd. The need of having all candidates for Masonry thoroughly prepared.

3rd. More attention to the charitable side of our institution and less to providing for our own luxuries.

4th. The necessity of dignity in everything connected with the work of the institution.

GENERAL REMARKS

I find all the lodges in the district in a fairly good position financially. The lodge funds are, with one exception, deposited in banks and payments made therefrom by order of the Master and Secretary, by cheque signed by the Treasurer. Business principles in this regard govern all the lodges.

Many of the lodges in this district are not careful enough of the appearance of their ante and outer rooms. I consider these rooms just as important as the lodge room proper and have urged lodges to pay more attention to these rooms, which are more frequently seen by strangers than the lodge room proper.

The work is uniform, and in most cases, is given with care and in an impressive manner. None of the lodges have any additions to, or innovations introduced. Officers seem to have been selected with care.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

The semi-centennial fund has been given much attention and several of the lodges, which were far in arrears to this fund, have made substantial payments. I found it a little different to induce enthusiasm in this work. The lodges seemed to have grown tired of being asked for contributions to the fund. However, I am glad to say, some of them have done well during the year.

I found many of the lodges giving largely to local charities in their respective districts, and I commended them heartily for so doing.

I constituted and consecrated one lodge, dedicated two others, held one Lodge of Instruction, and visited every lodge in the district at least once. There is still one lodge in the district which has not yet been dedicated.

OFFICIAL VISITS

On September 9th, by instructions from, and upon the authority of the Grand Master, I went to Cordinal, Ont., and there dedicated Cardinal Lodge, No. 491. I was ably assisted by R. W. Bros. John Ridley, R. H. Hanes, John Smith, G. K. Dewey, C. O. Carson, J. C. Boyd and fourteen P. Ms. Grand Lodge was opened and closed in the proper manner and the ceremonies carried out to my entire satisfaction. There was a large attendance of visitors from other lodges in the district and from Prescott and other lodges outside of this district.

I also made my official inspection of this lodge at this time. The lodge is unusually well officered. The charter members have been particularly careful of the material admitted and a fine body of men forms its membership. They meet in a proper room. It is well located and properly furnished. The books are in the hands of a competent Secretary, Bro. Wm. Clark, and I was well pleased with the outlook for this new lodge.

Maxville Lodge, No. 418, Maxville, Ont. I visited here on Dec. 9th at a regular meeting and witnessed the election of officers and the conferring of a degree. The work in the East was done by Bro. John Welsh. He is an enthusiastic Mason and fully appreciates the dignity of everything pertaining to Masonry. He was well supported by the officers. Maxville Lodge has made the mistake, like many other lodges, of allowing members to get in arrears for dues. This has handicapped the lodge, but I am very glad to say that energetic and businesslike action by the officers is getting arrearages in hand and, with the new officers elected at the time of my visit, Maxville Lodge gives promise of taking its place in the district, which ought to be right at the top, because it is a splendidly equipped lodge, in rooms, furnishings and men.

Plantagenet Lodge, No. 186, Plantagenet. I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge on the evening of Dec. 15th, and witnessed an initiation and the election of officers. Plantagenet lodge room is one of the smallest I have ever seen, nor have I ever seen one neater or more homelike. The lodge has suffered greatly this year by removals and by the absence of some of its best members. W. Bro. Dixon conferred the degree upon this occasion and it was well done. The Wardens are competent and know their work. I had the pleasure of meeting here V. W. Bro. H. Smith, the only living charter member of the lodge. He is still a most enthusiastic Mason and a gentleman who is greatly respected by his bréthren and fellows. Plantagenet Lodge is small. It has a membership drawn from a wide area and its meetings are often small, but the lodge does splendid work and is more than holding its own.

Cornwall Lodge, No. 125, Cornwall. I officially visited and held a Lodge of Instruction with this lodge on the afternoon and evening of February 7th. The date and place of this Lodge of Instruction was selected by the Grand Master, who was present and took part in the proceedings. BUSINESS was the key note of this meeting and the brethren gave strict attention to the work in hand. The attendance was about 250. The weather was very stormy and several lodges, which intended sending large delegations, were unable to do so. Twelve lodges out of the sixteen were represented.

The officers of Cornwall Lodge were in charge of the opening ceremonies. R. W. Bro. C. O. Carson, of Wales, examined a candidate for passing and the second degree was exemplified by the officers of Cornwall Lodge. It was as nearly perfect as it is possible to make it. The work was exemplified by the regular officers in every instance. R. W. Bro. John Ridley, one of the best posted Masons in the district, delivered the charge. It was exceptionally well done. I must say that a man like R. W. Bro. Ridley in any lodge is bound to make his influence felt in the conferring of degrees, and any sort of lodge work. He is Secretary of the lodge and without exception, he has the best set of books in the Eastern District.

When Cornwall Lodge closed in the second degree the chairs were taken by the officers of Williamsburg Lodge, No. 480, the youngest but one in this district. The officers were under W. Bro. W. C. Strader. He makes an ideal officer. He appreciates Masonry and all his officers and members are influenced by his high ideals of the dignity and importance of the work. The first degree was worked by Williamsburg in a splendid manner. It left nothing to be desired.

The lodge was called off and the Cornwall Lodge entertained at an informal banquet in their splendid rooms. The visitors were delighted with the kindness shown them and greatly appreciated the efforts of the Cornwall brethren to make the occasion a pleasant one.

At the evening session the Grand Master was introduced and witnessed the work in the third degree given by Chesterville Lodge, No. 320. Chesterville Lodge did their work in a highly creditable manner, and the large number of visitors were outspoken in their praise.

Discussion of the work took place and many questions were asked and answered. Much profitable discussion was indulged in by many of the brethren. The M. W., the Grand Master, delivered an interesting address on the Semi-Centennial Fund and other matters pertaining to Grand Lodge.

Cornwall Lodge, I have no hesitation in saying, will compare favorably with any lodge under the Grand Lodge. The lodge rooms are well appointed, clean, well lighted and well kept, and its members are thoroughly

imbued with the true spirit of Masonry. Financially and numerically it is strong and on this visit not one dollar of arrearages appeared on the books.

They received the visitors to this Lodge of Instruction royally and spent much time and energy to make the affair the success it proved to be. I want to here express my thanks to this lodge and its members for the assistance they gave me this year.

A resolution was passed at this meeting authorizing the D. D. G. M. to levy on all the lodges for the cost of the Lodge of Instruction, but as I doubted my powers to legally do so, and some of the lodges intimated an unwillingness to contribute, I did not make the levy. I feel that some arrangements to meet the expenses of Lodges of Instruction should be made, otherwise I am of the opinion that, so far as Eastern District is concerned, it will be difficult to hold such meetings very often.

Hawkesbury Lodge, No. 450, Hawkesbury, was visited by me on February 9th. I was particularly interested in this lodge as it is composed of many old members of my own lodge, St. John's, 21a. I there met R. W. Bro. E. A. Johnstone, P. D. D. G. M. of the old Ottawa District. He is still a regular attendant and an active Mason. I feel it my duty to complain of the manner in which many of the members of the Hawkesbury Lodge treat their officers. The officers were in their places, knew their work, and initiated a candidate in a creditable manner, but the members did not attend to support the officers as they ought to have done. Several members were in the town on lodge night and might have been at the meeting, but appeared careless. It is discouraging to officers to see the members absent from the regular meetings. This lodge also has several members who are behind in their dues. A few have been suspended and others will follow. There is no reason why Hawkesbury Lodge should not be one of the very best in the district. The lodge has efficient officers who are faithful in their attendance and energetic in the work. All they need is better support from the membership. I hope, and believe, there will be an improvement along this line the coming year.

Lancaster Lodge, No. 207, Lancaster, had an emergent meeting called for February 21st, and I took the

opportunity of visiting this lodge rather unexpectedly. The brethren here have recently purchased and newly furnished a building of their own. They now have perhaps the finest masonic property in the district. They have well appointed rooms and they have been splendidly furnished. I understand that much of the work and furnishings of the room is the work of the individual members of the craft. W. Bro. R. T. Nicholson gets much credit for his work in connection with the rooms. Lancaster Lodge is in splendid condition. They have a fine membership which is constantly growing. I witnessed them conferring degrees and all the officers knew their work thoroughly and are encouraged by the regular attendance of members. Perfect harmony exists among the brethren of this lodge. They are proud of their lodge and of their property, and have every reason to be so. The prospects are particularly good. They fully appreciate Masonry, and, where brethren do so, the prospects are usually bright.

Alexandria Lodge, No. 439, Alexandria. My visit to this lodge was at a regular meeting on March 7th. This lodge has made remarkable progress in the past few years and is still progressing. It has several enthusiastic Masons who are always on hand and ever ready to assist. This lodge has been burdened with too many arrears upon the books, but W. Bro. G. Bradley has been very active in his duties as Secretary the past year and a big improvement is noted in this matter. The lodge room is neat, well located and furnished in first class style. The attendance was fairly large. I witnessed work by the regular officers and am satisfied that the brethren in Alexandria are doing their work well.

Henderson Lodge, No. 383, Winchester, was officially visited and dedicated by me on the evening of March 10th. There was a fairly large attendance. I was disappointed upon my arrival in Winchester to find no Grand Lodge regalia or emblems of any kind with which to dedicate. I had not been advised that this would be the case and no provision had been made. We managed to gather sufficient material and performed the ceremonies as best we could under the circumstances. I was ably assisted by the P. Ms. of Winchester, Chester-ville and other lodges. Henderson Lodge is splendidly located, has well appointed rooms, richly furnished and

gives every evidence of prosperity. No degree work was exemplified, but I was assured that every officer thoroughly knows his duties and is regularly on hand to perform them. Bro. G. J. Johnstone, the Secretary of Henderson Lodge, is an exceedingly efficient officer. His books are well kept and he makes it a point to carefully preserve the ancient usages, customs and land marks in everything that pertains to the lodge.

St. John's Lodge, No. 21a, Vankleek Hill, Ont. This is my own lodge. I officially visited it on the afternoon and evening of March 14th. During the afternoon I dedicated the new lodge rooms. I was ably assisted by P. Ms. from Alexandria and Hawkesbury as well as from St. John's 21a. There was a very large attendance of members and visitors to witness the ceremony during the afternoon. St. John's Lodge has secured commodious quarters in a handsome new block in the centre of the town and has the rooms well furnished. The rooms were prepared specially for the Craft and are all that could be desired. This is the oldest lodge in the district. It retains its ancient history by samples of ancient furnishings which are greatly treasured by the brethren. The furnishings are not yet complete, but the Craft is comfortable and doing excellent work. The membership is exceedingly close guarded and none but the very best can hope to be admitted. Every candidate must pass a severely strict examination before advancement. The officers and nearly every member are thoroughly competent. This lodge gives largely to local charity and makes a point to practice charity to all dependent or afflicted ones.- The prospects of this lodge are very bright.

Excelsior Lodge, No. 142, Morrisburg, received me at a regular meeting on April 7th. The attendance was only fairly large. The officers were in their places promptly on time. I witnessed work here in the third degree and found it satisfactory. This lodge has just adopted new by-laws, the former ones being entirely out of date, and in some respects not in accord with the Constitution. W. Bro. Dr. W. C. Davy, the newly elected Secretary, is a most efficient officer. This office has been changed in this lodge very frequently and it has been difficult to keep the office filled. I am glad to report that Excelsior Lodge is well officered and in a

position to do the best of work. There are too many in arrears for dues. I have urged the officers to suspend promptly for this offence.

Wales Lodge, No. 458, Wales. This lodge I visited on April 10th, without giving more than a few hours' notice of my intention. I found a large attendance and a full staff of officers in their places. I witnessed work in the first and second degrees and found it properly done in every important particular. This is the lodge of which R. W. Bro. Rev. C. O. Carson is a member and he is always on hand to assist and give good advice. W. Bro. Fred. Warren, the Secretary, is one of the most thorough and accurate in the districts and keeps his books in fine shape. Wales Lodge is always ready for inspection and official visits. I was well pleased with all I saw in the lodge at this place.

Williamsburg Lodge, No. 480, Williamsburg, was visited by me at their regular meeting on April 13th. I found this one of the most pleasant visits of the year. The lodge at Williamsburg is small in numbers but strong in material. I witnessed the work in the third degree and it was well done. The brethren in this little lodge believe in being as perfect in the work as it is possible to be. They are most hospitable and make each other feel at home as well as royally welcoming visitors. Their lodge room is not as fine as they would wish, but it is the only room available and they have it comfortably furnished. The prospects of this lodge are good.

Chesterville Lodge, No. 320, Chesterville, which I visited on April 14th, is meeting in a new lodge room only partially furnished. I was greatly impressed with the handsome rooms and the magnificent furniture so far installed. It is one of the most handsome rooms and most splendidly furnished in the district. The brethren are not completing their furnishings until they have the funds sufficient. They recently lost all by fire and are getting their now lodge room in shape just as they feel able to pay for it. They certainly will have one of the finest meeting places in the district when they have their work completed. Their rooms have not yet been dedicated. I witnessed the work in the first degree. W. Bro. Casselman was in the East and conferred the degree. He and his officers make the work most impressive and preserve the highest ideals of the Craft. Chest-

erville Lodge is in a most satisfactory condition and gives promise of great prosperity.

Avonmore Lodge, No. 452, Avonmore. I visited this lodge at an emergent communication on April 25th. The attendance was not large, owing, perhaps, to the meeting being a special one. This lodge does not meet in a desirable lodge room. It is not well located, nor properly arranged. I am under the impression that if the brethren of Avonmore had a better hall, and one more attractive, the attendance would soon be improved. Masonry cannot be seen at its best unless the environment is proper. I witnessed the conferring of a degree and it was fairly well done. The books of the lodge are well kept and the dues are fairly well paid. I urged the brethren to endeavor to secure better quarters and to insist on all their candidates being properly prepared. The brethren of Avonmore received me most courteously, and received my remarks in the kindest manner.

Friendly Bros. Lodge, No. 143, Iroquois. At a special communication of this lodge on May 9th I was present. The lodge was in charge of W. Bro. Harkness. He is filling the chair for the second term and is a well qualified Master. This lodge is in a satisfactory state financially. It is not as strong as it once was, as the new lodge at Cardinal has drawn largely from its membership, but it still has a fairly large resident membership. Several of the resident members do not attend to their Masonic duties as they ought to do. They appear careless as to what they owe to themselves as Masons, and to the brethren of the lodge. Officers cannot do their best work unless the brethren remember their obligations and the high ideals set by the institution. The prospects for this lodge are good.

Farran's Point Lodge, No. 256, Aultsville, was the last lodge visited by me during the year. The attendance was very large. I was particularly well pleased to see so many of the older members present. The lodge meets in a very large hall with every convenience. The fraternal spirit in Aultsville is quite marked. I witnessed degree work here which was fairly well done. Some of the officers were not present, and for this I had to make allowance. We had a most profitable discussion over many points which arose in the work. The brethren

took part in the discussions and a profitable evening was spent. The prospects for this lodge appear bright.

Summing up the work of my official year I desire to make a few recommendations to all the lodges in the district in the most kindly way.

1st. Pay more attention to the charitable side of our work.

2nd. Keep cleaner, neater and more attractive ante and preparation rooms.

3rd. Positively forbid smoking or refreshments of any kind in the lodge room proper. It detracts from the dignity of Masonry.

4th. Insist on every candidate for advancement being perfectly grounded in the work he has already received. Do not allow advancement without merit.

5th. Be prompt in opening your lodge, prompt in closing, and always regular in your attendance.

Fraternally submitted.

H. C. JONES, D. D. G. M.,
Eastern District, No. 21.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
Table shewing the work done in Eastern District No. 21, from June 24th, 1910 to June 24th, 1911

No. of Lodge	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	Mem- bership		E. A.	F. C.		M. M.	Affiliations		Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet'gs held			Average attendance of members	Amount paid for relief		No. m'emb'rs 12 mths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages		Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	Decrease during year	Increase during year	Decrease during year	Total	Regular	Emergent	Total																
21a	St John's	Vankleek Hill	70	1	1	7	7	6	2	2	5	..	..	1	131	1	14	18	90 00	8	8	35 00	Dec.	'10	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
125	Cornwall	Cornwall	115	7	7	4	5	5	3	2	3	..	..	2	12	1	13	40	25 00	2	2	7 00	Dec.	'10	Good	Good	Yes	900 00
142	Excelsior	Morrisburg	73	3	3	1	1	1	1	2	1	..	..	2	9	3	12	20	10 00	22	22	151 20	Dec.	'10	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
143	F'dy Bros.	Iroquois	97	7	7	6	3	3	3	1	2	6	1	..	10	3	13	10	25 00	9	9	25 00	Dec.	'10	Fair	Fair	Yes	350 00
186	Plantagenet	Plantagenet	52	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	..	..	..	..	12	1	13	12	10 00	9	9	30 00	Dec.	'10	Good	Fair	Yes	500 00
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	100	10	10	10	10	7	1	..	..	..	..	..	10	4	14	19	10 00	26	26	183 50	Dec.	'10	Only f'r	Fair	Yes	1350 00
256	Farran's Pt.	Aultsville	86	2	2	3	2	2	2	1	4	..	..	..	12	1	13	17	100 70	3	3	13 30	Dec.	'10	Good	Good	Yes	1100 00
320	Chesterville	Chesterville	84	3	3	5	3	3	2	1	5	..	..	..	12	6	18	18	100 70	3	3	13 30	Jan.	'11	Sp'd	Sp'd	Yes	1100 00
383	Henderson	Winchester	99	4	4	6	4	3	1	3	1	..	..	..	213	4	17	15	40 00	10	10	60 00	Dec.	'10	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
418	Maxville	Maxville	68	6	6	3	1	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	11	1	12	16	40 00	15	15	125 00	June	'10	Fair	Good	Yes	400 00
439	Alexandria	Alexandria	68	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	114	1	15	17	80 00	20	20	135 46	Dec.	'10	Fair	Fair	Yes	400 00
450	Hawkesbury	Hawkesbury	52	6	6	5	4	1	1	2	1	11	..	..	11	2	13	10	80 00	11	11	150 00	Jan.	'11	Fair	Good	Yes	350 00
452	Avonmore	Avonmore	54	6	6	6	5	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	210	2	12	12	..	6	6	80 00	Dec.	'10	Good	Good	Yes	350 00
458	Wales	Wales	75	8	8	5	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	1	13	17	25 00	10	10	39 50	Dec.	'11	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
480	Williamsburg	Williamsburg	33	5	5	6	5	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	214	1	15	17	25 00	10	10	..	Jan.	'11	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
491	Cardinal	Cardinal	42	9	9	9	6	7	..	..	1	..	..	..	12	2	14	25	..	..	..	..	June	'10	Good	Good	Yes	700 00

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON WARRANTS

R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, Chairman of the Committee on Warrants:

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Warrants, beg to report as follows:

The Board recommends that warrants be granted to the following lodges now under dispensation:

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 497, Arden.

King George V. Lodge, No. 498, Cobocok.

Fraternally submitted,

A. J. YOUNG,
Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by R. W. Bro. A. J. Young, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Warrants be received and adopted.

CALLED OFF

At 12.30 o'clock p.m. Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment, to meet again at 2.00 o'clock p.m.

CALLED ON

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2.15 o'clock p.m.

M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on the throne, grand officers, members and representatives.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON AUDIT AND FINANCE

R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. Geo. S. May, Chairman of the Committee on Audit and Finance.

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Audit and Finance, beg leave to report that they have audited the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and have much pleasure in certifying to their correctness.

All funds received by the Grand Secretary have been deposited to the credit of the Grand Treasurer, in the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

The Grand Treasurer has produced vouchers for all payments made by him, as authorized by Grand Lodge.

The report of the Grand Secretary gives a full account of the receipts from all sources, as well as other business transacted in his office.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Total receipts have been, to May 31st, 1911\$42,383 81
Total expenditures have been as follows:

General purposes	\$16,797 07
Benevolent grants	26,275 00
	\$43,072 07

Expenditure over revenue\$ 688 26

The funds of Grand Lodge are invested in debentures as per list in Grand Treasurer's report, amounting to \$108,760.45, the balance on May 31st, 1911, in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, is \$4,105.96. Total assets \$112,866.41—a decrease from last year of \$1,273.09.

We have had placed before us for inspection the bond of the Grand Secretary in United States Fidelity & Guarantee Co., in the sum of \$5,000. The same is in the keeping of the Grand Treasurer. We would recommend that the Grand Master renew the said bond on its maturity, the premium to be paid by Grand Lodge.

Semi-Centennial Fund

It is with much pleasure we report the fund now amounted, at May 31st, 1911, to \$90,327.50, an increase from last year of \$22,476.82.

The success of this fund is largely due to the energetic and persistent efforts of the Grand Master and his District Deputies.

Your Committee have examined the summary of expenditure in the Grand Secretary's report, amounting to \$64,129.43, and have found it correct, and recommend the same to the approval of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary submitted to Grand Lodge for authorization the following estimates of receipts and expenditures for the current year, which meets with the approval of your Committee:

Estimates of Receipts for the Year Ending May 31st, 1912.

Fees, registration of initiations	\$10,500 00
Fees, registration of affiliations	500 00
Dues	24,000 00
Certificates	100 00
Constitutions and ceremonies	1,100 00

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Dispensations	500 00	
Commutation of dues	900 00	
Warrants	20 00	
Miscellaneous	700 00	
Ballot Boxes	1,200 00	
Interest on Investments	5,080 00	
		\$44,600 00
Interest on Semi-Centennial Investments .. .	4,000 00	
		<u>\$48,600 00</u>

Estimates of Expenditures for the Year Ending May 31st, 1912.

Salary of Grand Treasurer \$	200 00	
Salary of Grand Secretary	3,000 00	
Salary of Auditor	300 00	
Salary of Chief Clerk	1,000 00	
Salary of Stenographer..	720 00	
Salary of Clerk	600 00	
Superannuation allowance of former Chief Clerk	800 00	
Printing and Stationery ..	2,500 00	
Incidental Expenses of Grand Sec'y's Office..	900 00	
Certificates and Warrants	1,200 00	
Office Rent	460 00	
Office Fuel	90 00	
Expenses of Grand Lodge and Board of General Purposes, Meeting at St. Catharines	1,600 00	
Expenses of Commissions and Delegates	150 00	
Inspection of Benevolent Grants	1,000 00	
Postage of D.G.M. and Chairman of Committee	40 00	
Travelling Expenses of Grand Master ..	1,000 00	
Stenographer for Grand Master	100 00	
Stenographer for Deputy Grand Master	25 00	
Rent of Telephone	57 00	
Insurance on Furniture and Regalia	100 00	
Rent of Safety Deposit Box	25 00	
Masonic Relief Association	245 00	
Miscellaneous.....	200 00	
Chairman of Foreign Correspondence	150 00	
Grants for Benevolence	28,000 00	
Grant to Sufferers by Forest Fires in Northern Ontario	1,000 00	
Postage on Proceedings	200 00	
Ballot Boxes	600 00	
Total Expenditure on General Account	\$46,262 00	
Grants from Semi-Centennial Fund	4,070 00	
		<u>\$50,332 00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. S. MAY, Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by R. W. Bro. George S. May, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Audit and Finance be received.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. R. White, and

Resolved, That a grant of \$1000.00 be made to the sufferers by the recent forest fires in Northern Ontario, and that the money be telegraphed to the Chairman of the Relief Committee.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON BENEVOLENCE

R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence:

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Benevolence, beg leave to report as follows:

During the year that has elapsed since the last annual communication of Grand Lodge, the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence has, with the approval of the M. W. the Grand Master and the President of the Board of General Purposes, made interim grants to applicants amounting to the sum of \$1,365.00, the sum of \$1,235.00 from the General Fund and \$130.00 from the surplus interest of the Semi-Centennial Fund. The ability to relieve cases of distress as they occur, is of great benefit to those suffering from misfortune.

Sixty-six additional grants have been made from the interest on the investment of the Semi-Centennial Fund, amounting to the sum of \$4,070.00.

The Board are gratified to report that on the 31st day of May, 1910, this fund amounted to, \$67,850.68, and on 31st day of May, 1911, amounted to the sum of \$90,327.50, an increase during the past year of \$22,476.82, and since the last mentioned date subscriptions have come in that now bring the amount to over \$93,000, leaving a small balance of \$7,000 to complete the fund. It is to be hoped that the lodges still in arrears with the contributions of their members will see to it that those contributions are collected and forwarded to the Grand Secretary without delay, in order that this fund may be brought to the amount of \$100,000.00. It is gratifying to find so many lodges exceeding the amount of their quota—one lodge contributed nearly double, and one body contributing over three times the quota.

The Board are gratified to find that the applications for relief have generally been forwarded to the Grand Secretary in proper time, but regret they are compelled to report that a number of lodges have neglected this most important duty, which they owe to their dependents. The Board desires to impress upon the lodges that the grants from Grand Lodge are intended to be supplemental to the grants from the lodges and the Board regrets that so many lodges neglect to assist the applicants, dependent upon them.

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The Board recommends that in the case of all applicants the cheque be withheld until the inspector has made his investigation and reported thereon to the Grand Secretary.

The Board recommends that the subscriptions to the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada be continued.

Three hundred and ninety-four applications were received and have been dealt with as follows :

204 Grants through Lodges amounting to	\$15,360 00
188 Grants through Local Boards, amounting to	11,700 00
2 applications have been refused.	
Special Grants, authorized by Grand Lodge :	
Mrs. T. D. Harrington	300 00
Miss Mary Wilson	300 00
Miss M. H. Harris	75 00
	675 00
Total amount of Grants made from General Fund, amounting to	27,745 00
Interim Grants from General Fund, since last Annual Communication	1,235 00
Interim Grants from Interest of S.C.B. Fund.	130 00
	29,110 00
Grants Recommended from Interest of S.C.B. Fund, at this communication	4,070 00
Total Grants	\$33,180 00

The grants made by lodges during the year as shown by the reports of the D. D. G. Ms. amount to the sum of \$21,670.00.

In accordance with the provisions of Rule 7, on Benevolence, cheques for grants made, through the following lodges, will be withheld until proper returns have been received from these lodges as to the disposal of last year's grants: No's. 10, 30, 33, 46, 48, 69, 91, 93, 98, 99, 119, 120, 126, 162, 166, 184, 237, 255, 261, 285, 327, 331, 336, 358, 389, 391, 436 and 462.

No lodge in the jurisdiction should neglect its plain duty to make proper returns of the disposal made of grants through the respective lodges, by Grand Lodge. There are seventeen lodges in the list that were guilty of the same neglect last year.

There were nine grants made through local boards subject to proper application being sent in, and forty-six through lodges under similar conditions. This is a slight improvement over last year.

The Board again recommend that the report of the Committee on Benevolence be read in each lodge at a stated meeting and that the D.D.G.M. be instructed to see that this recommendation be carried out so that the brethren may be informed of the good being accomplished by the Grand Lodge.

The Board recommends that, where there are two lodges in any town or city a local Board of Relief be formed.

It is to be regretted that so many lodges have lost sight of the fact that the benevolence of Grand Lodge is intended to supplement the grants from private lodges and send in applications for relief without having granted any relief from their funds to

the applicant, and that many of the applications are so lacking in information as to render it difficult for the committee to deal intelligently with them.

Your Board requiring an investigation and report of all the cases of benevolence under the care of Grand Lodge, recommend that the additional sum of \$200 be allowed this year to cover expense of same.

Your Board further recommends that a condensed report of the Inspector be added as an appendix to this report.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN E. HARDING,
Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, that the report of the Board on Benevolence be received.

Appendix to Report on Benevolence

Judge D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master :

Dear Sir and Most Worshipful Brother :

I herewith present my report as Inspector of Benevolent grants for 1910.

There were 400 cases considered by the Committee: 187 from Local Boards, 213 from Private Lodges. The 187 from Local Boards consisted of 145 for widows, 27 for brethren, 9 for orphans, 2 for mothers, 2 for wives and 2 for sisters. The 213 from Private Lodges consisted of 142 for widows, 57 for brethren, 10 for orphans, 2 for wives and 2 for mothers.

Of the grants to widows 265 were paid, 15 were reported against, 3 got married, 2 died, and in 2 cases the lodges refused to complete the application.

Of the grants to brethren 70 were paid, 8 died, 5 were reported against, and in 1 case the lodge refused to complete the application. The grants to orphans, mothers, wives, and sisters were all paid.

Of the foregoing, 113 were over seventy years of age, 40 from seventy to seventy-four, 34 from seventy-five to seventy-nine, 24 from eighty to eighty-four, 11 from eighty-five to eighty-nine; 4 were over ninety.

These figures again tell (as far as figures can) the story of the work done by Grand Lodge in the way of benevolence.

It is true they tell the story in part, but only a very small part of it. Let me give you two or three paragraphs that figures cannot tell :

"If it had not been for the assistance received from the Masonic Fraternity, my children and I would have been turned out on the street."

"The assistance received from the Masons enabled me to educate my two children, and now they support me comfortably."

"The grant from Grand Lodge saved my aged wife and me from spending our last days in the poorhouse."

I could go on with expressions like this that I have heard from our people until this report would fill many pages, but it is not necessary. As in former years, I will close by giving a description of some of the cases:

Brother H. is 33 years of age. He has two sons—three years and one year old. He has consumption, and at present is living in a shack on his brother's farm. Mrs. H. is with him, and looking after him. The doctor says he has a fighting chance.

Mrs. N. is 50 years of age. She has one daughter, 17, who has been learning millinery, but is not well. It is feared she has lung disease. Mrs. N. does plain sewing, but as she is not an expert her earnings are small. Lately her health has been poor. She has no means or property.

Mrs. H. is 28 years of age. She has two children—son 8 and daughter 2. She does washing, scrubbing out offices, or any other work she can secure. She lives in two rented rooms. She has no means, and with two young children, finds it very difficult to make a living.

Can anyone tell in figures what the grant of \$80 from Grand Lodge meant to these two women?

The daughter of Brother E. is 7 years of age. She lives with her grandmother, her father and mother both being dead, and having left no means, the little one depends entirely upon her grandmother, a widow in very moderate circumstances.

Brother C. is 50 years of age. No children. He and his aged wife live in rented apartments. He depends upon the grant from Grand Lodge, and what assistance he receives from the brethren of his lodge.

I venture to reiterate the statement made in a former report, that there is no similar amount of money disbursed in the Province of Ontario that does as much real, practical good, as the amount paid out by Grand Lodge for benevolence.

Yours fraternally,

J. B. NIXON,

Inspector of Benevolent Grants.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE FRATERNAL DEAD

R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report, which was read by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, for R. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Chairman of the Committee on the Fraternal Dead:

REPORT

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on our Fraternal Dead, beg to report:

Enlogies of the dead often portray vagaries and inconsistencies of the living. A man lives an upright life, misfortune overtakes

him and deprives him of his family or even the necessities of life. His friends treat him with distant civility, a cruel intimation that any appeal for assistance or sympathy would be received with indifference. Death overtakes him, then comes the rush of warm words of encomium, though the family may be in need of everything else. Men in public life too frequently receive nothing but ridicule and unfair criticism from their opponents, but when they leave the stage their virtues are discovered and admitted and adulation takes the place of censure. The words of the Immortal Bard placed in the mouth of Mark Antony, "The evil that men do lives after them; the good is often interred with their bones," were not intended to be taken literally, but to incite the populace against Caesar's murderers. How suggestive is the Chinese proverb, "Call no man happy until he is dead." Justly and adequately to acknowledge the services of those who strive to walk in the path of rectitude and unselfishness is a duty we owe to each other, and all, especially those of our order should remember that apparent failure is real success; that attainment oftentimes is not half as praiseworthy as the unsuccessful struggle to attain. A having and a getting are not everything; a being and a becoming are of much more importance. The inner life, the real character, the higher motive, the lofty ideal—these count, and all else is gross tinsel. We are prone to regard death as an evil. We should look on it as a blessing. Jeremy Collier says, "The more we sink into the infirmities of age, the nearer we are to immortal youth. All people are young in the other world. The life hereafter is an eternal spring, ever fresh and invigorating. Death at worst is only a passing from midnight into noon, from one room into the next." "There is no death; the stars go down, to shine upon some fairer shore, and bright in Heaven's jewelled crown they shine for evermore."

Cicero says, that study of philosophy is nothing more or less than a preparation for death. The reason of which is that human study and contemplation do in some sort withdraw and employ the soul apart from the body, and that this is a kind of discipline for death, and a preparation for it. All reasoning in the world terminates at last on this point, to teach us not to fear to die.

But, moralize as we may, our philosophy fails us when death is brought home to us. We forget the advice of the stoic when our dear ones pass away into the gloom; we mourn, it may be for selfish reasons, but it brings out the best there is in us. We are charitable then and not censorious, and we remember how easy it is to give to the simplest act the countenance of a fault. We recall the truth that to know all is to pardon all; that there is no mountain without mist, no man of merit without detractors.

Death has taken a large number of those holding high office in the jurisdiction across the border during the past year, as will be seen by the schedule attached hereto, while it has dealt more sparingly in our own jurisdiction.

Two of our brethren who have been taken probably hold the record over all others living or dead for regular attendance at Masonic functions.

R. W. Bro. Donald Ross, P. D. D. G. M., of Prince Edward District No. 15, and a Past Grand First Principal of the Grand

Chapter of Canada, was initiated in Prince Edward Lodge, No. 18, when twenty-three years of age, and was about 75 years old at the time of his death.

This brother averaged several meetings a week for many years. Masonry appeared to be his sole pleasure, and his heart was wrapped up in the Craft. His absence at Masonic functions will be felt.

R. W. Bro. John Alexander McGillivray, P. D. D. G. M., of Toronto District, was prominent in Masonry for many years, also a leading King's Counsel in Ontario County and a Lieutenant-Colonel of the Volunteer force, and represented his county in the Dominion Parliament, but illness had withdrawn him from the public avocations for some years.

It would not be humane to close this Report without reference to the terrible disaster which visited our northern country, called "The Porcupine District," recently devastated by fire when many lives were lost, as yet unnumbered, possibly some of them members of our Order. It is the greatest calamity which has ever occurred in our fair province. Men full of youth, vigor and courage, seeking wealth or scientific research, others seeking pleasure, to whom venture surrounded with danger was an attraction, and Government officials in pursuit of their duties, comprise the victims. None but the strong and courageous would enter that unexplored and rugged district, and they were drawn from among the best in the land. They doubtless took every precaution against danger save the one which overtook them. "In the midst of life we are in death."

May we wish for all the departed brethren "A deathlike sleep, a gentle drifting to immortal life."

DEATHS IN OUR JURISDICTION.

R. W. Bro. Donald Ross, P. D. D. G. M. of Prince Edward District No. 13, died 25th December, 1910.

R. W. Bro. (Rev.) Henry Steele Matthews, Past Grand Chaplain, died 14th November, 1910.

R. W. Bro. Bernard Saunders, P. D. D. G. M., Toronto, died 12th September, 1910.

R. W. Bro. John Fisher, P. D. D. G. M., Toronto, died 23th May, 1911.

R. W. Bro. John Alexander MacGillivray, P. D. D. G. M., Uxbridge, died 12th February, 1911.

R. W. Bro. Robert Fletcher, P. D. D. G. M., died 6th April, 1911.

R. W. Bro. William D. Tye, P. G. R., died February, 1911.

R. W. Bro. Rev. Lorenzo A. Betts, Past Grand Chaplain, died 7th April, 1911.

R. W. Bro. Thomas Andrew Simpson, P. D. D. G. M., Niagara District No. 10, died 3rd March, 1911.

V. W. Bro. James Walters, Past Grand Director of Ceremonies, died May, 1911.

V. W. Bro. Marshall L. Nutting, P. Asst. Grand Organist Zeredatha Lodge, Uxbridge, died 9th April, 1911.

W. Bro. Andrew Smith (F. R. C. V. S.), P. M., St. Andrew's Toronto, died 15th August, 1910.

W. Bro. J. W. Moore, P. M., Madoc Lodge, No. 48, died.

W. Bro. G. C. Moore, P. M., died.

W. Bro. Ira Bates, P. M., Orient, Toronto, died December, 1910.

W. Bro. William Hogg, P. M., Zeredatha, Uxbridge, died 23rd October, 1910.

W. Bro. Harry Brooks Hewson, P. M., Ashlar Lodge, Toronto, died 9th July, 1910.

W. Bro. William Ruddock Urquhart, Ashlar Lodge, Toronto, died 23rd January, 1911.

W. Bro. Robert Ross, P. M., Alpha Lodge, Toronto, died 13th February, 1911.

W. Bro. John Bastedo, P. M., Zetland Lodge, Toronto, died July, 1911.

V. W. Bro. Robert J. Stevenson, Tecumseh Lodge, Stratford, died 1st May, 1911.

W. Bro. P. T. Lee, Tuscan Lodge, Newmarket.

W. Bro. Alexander M. Ross, Temiskaming Lodge, No. 462, died February 3rd, 1911.

IN FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS.

M. W. Bro. James TenEyck, P. G. M., New York, died 28th July, 1910.

M. W. Bro. J. Edward Simmons, P. G. M., New York, died 5th August, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Henry Warren Rugg, P. G. M., Rhode Island, died 21st July, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Charles Whippo Nash, P. G. M., Minnesota, died 18th August, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Isaac P. Leyden, P. G. M., Indiana, died 11th October, 1910.

M. W. Bro. John Milton Hodson, P. G. M., Oregon, died 9th October, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Harrison Jordan, P. G. M., Montana, died 2nd October, 1910.

M. W. Bro. John Robert Smith, P. G. M., Tennessee, died 26th July, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Joseph M. Goodspeed, P. G. M., Ohio, died 11th June, 1911.

M. W. Bro. Willard Lee Eaton, P. G. M., Iowa, died 7th June, 1911.

M. W. Bro. Melville R. Hopewell, P. G. M., Indiana, died 2nd May, 1911.

M. W. Bro. Frederick Speed, P. G. M., Grand Secretary, Mississippi, died 10th March, 1911.

M. W. Bro. William Frank Pearce, G. M., California, died 3rd October, 1910.

M. W. Bro. John Calvin Postlethwaite, P. G. M., Kansas, died 26th June, 1910.

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M. W. Bro. David M. Clements, P. G. M., Iowa, died 16th November, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Chancey N. Noteware, Grand Secretary, Nevada, died 22nd October, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Simeon P. Gillett, P. G. M., Indiana, died 28th November, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Lucien A. Foote, P. G. M., Indiana, died 20th November, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Samuel R. Hamilton, P. G. M., Texas, died 3rd August, 1910.

M. W. Bro. William F. Butcher, P. G. M., Oregon, died 17th November, 1910.

M. W. Bro. William Clark Allen, P. G. M., South Dakota, died 9th November, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Frederick H. Waldron, G. M., Connecticut, died 20th November, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Charles K. Contant, P. G. M., Nebraska, died 23rd August, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Jacob P. Barron, P. G. M., and Grand Secretary, South Carolina, died 16th September, 1910.

M. W. Bro. John C. Smith, P. G. M., Illinois, died 23rd December, 1910.

M. W. Bro. Benjamin Ragus, P. G. M., Prince Edward Island, died 21st January, 1911.

M. W. Bro. Chiles C. Coleman, P. G. M., Kansas, died 4th December, 1910.

M. W. Bro. D. Dudley Williams, P. G. M., Alabama, died 12th March, 1911.

M. W. Bro. Frederick H. Files, P. G. M., South Dakota, died 1st March, 1911.

M. W. Bro. Henry H. Blair, P. G. M., South Dakota, died 27th February, 1911.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

FRED W. HARCOURT,

Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by R. W. Bro. F. W. Hadrcourt, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Fraternal Dead be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY

R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, begs leave to present the following report:

That all true members of this great historic and traditional Brotherhood are both OPTIMISTS AND PHILANTHROPISTS will be apparent to all who read not merely the Annual Report of the M. W. the Grand Master, who has (as prophesied by M. W. Bro. Freed) proved himself a strong, earnest and devoted man—but also the reports of his staunch and true Representatives in the twenty-two Districts of this Jurisdiction. OPTIMISTS because of the spirit of hope in the face of difficulties and discouragements, which some loyal lodges in distant and sparsely settled districts have to encounter, unknown at the great centres, (and even THEY have their shadows)—and PHILANTHROPISTS, because of the great work of discriminating benevolence—of charity which is brotherly, and not mendicant—of good will and consideration for others so widely disseminated, wherever there is a Masonic trysting place, wherever rally those imbued with the true Masonic spirit that inspires to good words, good thoughts, good deeds. Faith, the foundation of trust and hope—Brotherly love the fruition—the ideal—the goal.

If all our fraternal relations were absolutely perfect, if our Constitution was strictly followed, if the noble tenets of our Order were universally exemplified, if our work was faultlessly performed, if our mysteries were clearly understood, if our doctrine and our life were always co-ordinated and consistent, then there would be no work for the G. M., D. G. M., or D. D. G. Ms. to do and Masonry would cease to be a human institution; there would be only room on our pillars for the globe celestial—no place for the globe terrestrial. But the Masonic millenium has not arrived. Fraillties of human nature, and sometimes unsympathetic selfishness, are still to be found even in this fairest of all British Provinces.

“We are not children nor gods, but men in a world of men.” There is still the challenge to a campaign for the creation and diffusion of companionable good comradeship—for the development of that public spirit which is crystalized in the motto, “All for each and each for all”—the subordination of the unit—the atom—to the general good, and the establishment of a manly virile citizenship; this is the work to which all our craftsmen are called, but more specially the Rulers of the Craft, who are or ought to be men of “light and leading”—from the Grand Master to those whose special influence through the human touch is strong and constant, viz., the Masters and Wardens of every Mother Lodge.

Of the good loyal work which is done year by year, those who would learn should read. We commend the Annual Reports to the careful perusal of the brethren. The loving record of faithful service and of progress that begets justifiable pride, should be accessible to every member of every lodge. Your Committee fears that this right is denied in many districts through proper provision not being made for this public privilege, and that the volumes, which are not by any means dry statistics, but which are vital as reflecting human intercourse and effort, are consigned to the dark arcana and dusty archives of a neglected past. Our to-days and YESTERDAYS are the stones with which

we build. Each lodge should have a Historian whose duty and whose honourable pride it would be to gather, preserve and UTILIZE for the common present good, all past and current chronicles, all souvenirs and trophies of the milestones of Masonry in every Masonic home. If such officials would only follow from afar the example in this respect of M. W. Bro. John Ross Robertson, whose munificence has again this year won the gratitude of the brethren in the presentation of another historic portrait, and of the late Bro. W. J. Hughan, of England, who with others from our own jurisdiction, has this year passed from earthly labor to heavenly rest, they would be doing a grand and constructive work. The past has its treasures (not reccondite)—its inspiration (if used). We are Builders—ours the superstructure, and

“All that our Fathers wrought
With true prophetic thought
Must be defended!”

The annals of the past, the study of our current reports, the perusal of foreign correspondence, the touch with other minds, will give a better sense of proportion and perspective, and, while making us realize the ancient and mellow age of our Order, the glamour of whose tradition will outlive the historian and the universality of the great cosmopolitan Brotherhood, will make us love more, if possible, our own Mother Lodge, through whose close-guarded and familiar portals we were made “free of the Craft”—

“God gave all men all earth to love
But since our hearts are small,
Ordained for each one spot should prove
Beloved over all.”

Let the brethren see to it that each Home Lodge is the House Beautiful, perfect in appointments, accessories and equipment, light, bright, airy, healthful, well ventilated, comfortable and cheerful in ante-rooms and precincts, where care cannot enter and where worry finds no welcome. But, best of all, see that (to use the words of the old Scotch Ritual) all the brethren “know one another and that no brother goes away dissatisfied.”

Worth in all, wit in some,
Laugh’er open, slander dumb,
Hearth where rooted friendships grow,
Safe as altar even from foe.”

Then will the lodges grow from strength to strength, and will be both magnetic and radiating centres, and the geniality, the power and the unity of the Craft will be felt far beyond the walls and precincts of the lodge rooms.

In growing towns and cities it is especially urged that the brethren should at least purchase a lot or site with a view to the erection of a permanent Masonic Hall or Temple in the future. The surpluses reported as being on hand in many lodges would fully justify this investment, which would appeal to all the members, who readily respond to specific calls for such a home purpose. The Grand Master has presided over the laying of TEN corner-stones during his two years of office, and the stately and dignified ceremonial—hallowed by antiquity and by religious spirit, and followed by eloquent address, has deeply impressed the com-

munities, who have thus invoked the aid of the Craft who monthly seek the blessing of the Great Architect.. Your Board hope that during the next decade many corner-stones of MASONIC EDIFICES will be laid, and especially a grand central Temple in Toronto; and in a higher sense that throughout our Empire of Living Thought—for such is Masonry—the edifice of mind and character may be constantly upbuilt and found well proved, true, and trusty. For we who have been so intimately associated with symbols and emblems must recognize that there are two great Temples.

“The one is joined in all its parts with cunning works of art,
The other by the ligaments that bind the human heart.”

The number of Dedications in all the districts during the past two years, coupled with the increasing solicitude of those to whom God has given the gift of teaching, have intensified this spirit, and have added a new significance to the lodge rooms, a new impulse to the distribution of corn, wine and oil both in token and in specie, a new length to our cable-tow, a new atmosphere to our surroundings, a new care and earnestness in our work, a new sense of the all-seeing Eye.

“In the older days of art
Builders wrought with greatest care
Each unseen and secret part,
For the Gods see everywhere.”

The work of the Grand Master and of his District Deputies during the past year in raising the Semi-Centennial Fund to \$93,125.00 may be characterized as a supreme effort worthy of the men, worthy of the cause, and the final completion of the fund will be shared as one of the crowning glories of his successor, our present Deputy Grand Master, whose tactful and forceful personality will next year grace the Grand East. But should there be any “FINAL COMPLETION?” As we stride forward, our roads grow, our responsibilities increase. Shall we not rather follow the lead given by Nipissing and other districts, and having contributed our quota, stay not our hand? New occasions teach new duties. Let the Brotherhood feel that by the adoption of this Report, it is an incumbent duty on all new lodges, it is a moral obligation on the older lodges, to apportion their ultimate subscription to their present and growing membership; give all an opportunity of being living factors in the great work, the central monument of Masonic liberality and forethought for the future. Let it be perhaps said of all of us hereafter, “He builded better than he knew.” The District Reports give instances of commendable generosity to local charities (not Masonic), while the balance due by them to the great fund is still unpaid. The brethren should remember that while charity knows no bounds, we are in a special manner called upon to provide for the household of the faithful, our own brethren in sickness and distress and their children in bereavement. Let us fill and keep overflowing this reservoir of power. Let us all feel the glow of satisfaction in keeping alive the sacred flame. Let no arbitrary date fix our responsibility or our privilege. Let us neither lose nor minimize our rights. We are “one and all.” We believe in Masonry for the young men, and the young men for Masonry, but let the youngest share the burden. They are willing, and like all true

Britons, are lusty children of the Grand Old Mother. Partly in this connection, your Board regrets to have to reiterate the almost staggering announcement, that according to the actual returns of the lodges the amount of arrears of dues totals the startling sum of \$33,534.56. Your Board believes, as the District Deputies believe, in absolute frankness in concrete matters of this kind. Do the lodges realize that someone is bearing this burden?

That our usefulness is sapped to the extent of this deficiency, that the honor of Masonry (which should appeal to both business and bosoms) is tarnished thereby. A revision of clause 219 of the Constitution will be necessary unless the proper officers of the lodges do their duty. They have no discretion to exercise, especially in the cases of members who can pay but will not. Dues are necessary for use, not for surplus, for productive fruit, not for buried talents. The lodge with large arrears is moribund in one part and requires amputation. Nearly forty lodges, too, report no insurance. This is both improvident, and unfair to the brethren who will have to bear the expense when disaster falls. On both these subjects we would especially ask the attention of the delinquents to the conjoined virtues,

“Diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord.”

And to the words of wisdom of our ancient Grand Master Solomon, “Seest thou a man diligent in business, he shall stand among kings; he shall not stand among mean men.” Let this be a call to duty, not a reproach, and temper justice with mercy, but reason and understanding with both.

Two other subjects, and two only, call for frank and friendly criticism. It is evident from the reports that the ballot is still the cause of discord, either in the uncertainty of the system or the unsatisfactory use of the black ball. Your Board feels that perhaps a special committee of experienced brethren might be appointed to deal with this vexed question and to perfect machinery and sufficiently elastic regulations to prevent injustice being done, to stop and penalize abuses, and to render sure that which seems to some to be open to doubt. All other differences can be healed or adjusted by the patience, prudence, firmness or common sense of our District Deputies, but ballot troubles kill.

Your Board would not for a moment limit the right of every just and generous brother to use the ballot with firm decision, as he would deal with his own soul—when he knows an applicant is unworthy; but might not the poignancy and bitterness of rejection be sometimes avoided by a confidential interview with the investigating committee, and is it not sometimes a fact that personal pique or lamentable misunderstanding will steal in and warp judgment? Yet, as one District Deputy strongly puts it, it may be better for the Craft to exclude several good men than to admit one unworthy. The other extreme is therefore to be more and more avoided; the reckless multiplication of Masons, (which your Board is glad to note has almost stopped); the failure to realize that in making a Mason we incur a responsibility to every Mason in the world, as we usher him into that limitless fellowship, for we do not confine our outlook or our output to the work of a clan. We girdle the world with our landmarks and our horizon is both broad and bright. So will it ever be while we are

serve the manly standard and stamina, the cardinal calibre, and look well to the South, the West, the North and the East.

The reports of nearly all the districts have been delayed by the failure of nearly forty Secretaries to make their returns promptly, even after two, sometimes three, and sometimes telegraphed requests. Let us again speak frankly. We are a living organism; we depend upon our vital constituent parts. Why should forty negligent officials hold up the necessary work preparatory to Grand Lodge, year after year, for this is our annual story? Why should they spoil the splendid official record of the Masonic Secretaries, those loyal, painstaking, experienced officers who know the value of Masonic records and how to preserve them, and more, how to use them—men who never fail at the crucial test, the most important act of the year. For the honor of the office, for facilitating future business of Grand Lodge, why should not these few negligent officers be asked for their resignation. Better for them, better for us. Your Board only make this suggestion after a long series of similar provocations.

The reports of the D.D.G.Ms. show that they are capable and competent men, zealous and courteous, with serenity of temper and public spirited enthusiasm, which all go to make up the staple equilibrium of an earnest Mason. Assiduous in the performance of their onerous duties, they are generous in recognition of the graces and virtues of their predecessors and in commending their successors to the loyal support of their respective districts. Arduous as have been their labors of love, they have been encouraged and upheld by the splendid response and reception given them by the lodges under their shepherding supervision, and they will be stimulated to continue with the other long line of loyal Pastmasters, Veterans on the active service list, identified with the past, vitally interested in the present and future, giving the benefit of ripe experience and breadth of view, reviving where matters are at a low ebb—possibly even sometimes checking the forward,—all strengthening the golden chain that links in fraternal embrace the members of the great Brotherhood; and following the example of those who are passing and have passed through the Grand East, being Guide, Philosopher and Friend to those within their circle of influence—men of cheerful yesterdays and confident to-morrows.

Year by year your Board realize the supreme importance of the selection of D.D.G.Ms. and of Worshipful Masters. More than fidelity to obligation is required, more than simple performance of duty in other offices. In this, as throughout Masonry generally, we may pile Block on Block, Ashlar on Ashlar, Mystery on Mystery, it avails naught unless cemented and adorned with every moral and social virtue, and with the kindling power of transmitting that light which "never yet on land or sea" which the world cannot give or take away the power of enlisting the co-operation of workmen from the quarries with materials for the temple, of reconciling the mosaics of humanity we meet even within the gates, of moulding in true Masonic matrix the plastic personalities under their direction, and of walking with firmness in the right as God gives them to see the light; nerve centres of energy, for there is nothing so contagious as enthusiasm, neither laggard nor lax, not suffering laxity or flagging interest while they wield the gavel; yet giving, as Gordon gave, "Their sympathy to the suffering and strength to the weak"—living up to the imperial maxim, "Be just

rule well, hold strong." Semaphores and sentinels on the lines of communication; courteous, calm and dignified in the consciousness of strength. Surely we do not set too high an ideal for the Leaders of Thought and Action in a Brotherhood where all the virtues and all the graces of true nobility have been exemplified by good men and true—who have appreciated the beauties and faithfully followed the teachings of the Order.

Men of vital individuality, from the Grand Master to Master, cannot expect all to see eye to eye with them in all things. It is only the men who do nothing, think nothing and say nothing that escape criticism, but we do not either greet, hail or obey such in-East or Grand East.

In all relations of our Masonic life in Canada we need men—men of worth and wisdom—men of concentration of purpose; men who can build like a giant and polish like a jeweler. We have an ever widening circle to select from. To be true to the genius of Masonry we must have that unity expressed by our Poet Laureate of Craft and Empire:

"From East to West the tested chain holds fast,
The well forged links ring true."

Your Board commend the excellent work of the Past Masters Associations under whose auspices much literary work of research has been profitably accomplished, and whose steady influence in holding the balance even, and considering with deliberation, the broader questions of our life and work has been distinctly felt. Why should not each private lodge devote one-half hour of each meeting to getting into touch with master minds, to unfold for instance in that much neglected Second Degree, Geometry, the parent of Astronomy, and study as our forefathers did, the wonders of "God's crest of gold set in the azure shield of Heaven." Utilize the Chaplains—and as Brother William Shakespeare says, "Let us find where truth is hid, even though it be hid in the centre. Knowledge is power."

The transactions of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge in England, and that portion of the Masonic Press which is edited by Masons of experience and reserve, who are able to distinguish between outstanding common principles and the esoteric; and between the general and the personal, and who recognize the limits of Masonic journalism, are commended for perusal.

The interchange of courtesies, social and intellectual, between Officers of Royal Arch Chapters and Officers of Craft Lodges, especially at Kingston and Belleville, during the past year, is a subject for congratulation, as drawing nearer together the two bodies of which one is the development of the other, and in which loyalty to Mother Lodge is never forgotten.

That Lodges of Instruction have been held with splendid results in almost every District, and generally at an early date before the official visits of the District Deputies, is one of the most encouraging features of this, in many ways, record year of the Craft. Officers and Lodges escape from grooves and ruts into which even the best Masons in isolation fall; uniformity and precision in work is attained, and a fine spirit engendered of that only true fraternal emulation "who best may work who best agree." The expense of these annual Lodges of Instruction should be borne

by the whole District, and the D.D.G.Ms. should, by the adoption of this report, be authorized to levy the same on each Lodge in proportion to its membership. A few cents contributed by each member would pay all possible disbursements in this connection, as well as for the regalia of the D.D.G.M., which ought always to be, and is generally, generously presented by the District.

In addition to attending the funerals of deceased brethren, a duty ever to be observed—the brethren of many lodges have attended Divine service, especially on or near St. John's Day, and now that hired bands of music have been dispensed with, and all elements of ostentatious parades have been eliminated, the granting of dispensations for such a worthy object as the public profession of faith in the Most High in His Church, is to be commended. But save for this and the occasions settled by immemorial usage the Board deprecates the public use of regalia, as much as it does the undue metallic display of Masonic ornaments, gaudy jewels, or prominent emblems.

Your Board has again to call attention to the receipt of several requests to have the time of meeting of Grand Lodge changed from the hot summer solstice, when men are not always at their best, to another month, when a larger attendance of some of the pillars of Masonry, who have been missed from Grand Lodge for several sessions, might be secured. The Board regret that the District Deputies have not reported officially on this question, as requested to do in the report adopted at last Grand Lodge, and desire that the Grand Lodge should, by the adoption of this Report again request the official attention of the District Deputies, in order to obtain so far as possible the general feeling of the Craft on the suggested change. Till then your Board do not feel free to act.

Some further suggestions have been made in District Reports, which are entitled to notice and consideration. Among others:

- (1) That a Committee should be appointed to again revise the Constitution and republish same with notations and index, and with the summary and analysis of decisions on jurisprudence, favorably recommended in the Board's report of last year.

- (2) That nominations might be announced at an earlier time than has been heretofore customary, so as to give ample time for consideration and enquiry as to the merits and worth of candidates for office.

- (3) That the potential importance of the offices of Director of Ceremonies, Stewards and Tylers should be again emphasized.

- (4) That the list of Grand Representatives be revised so that the offices may be all filled by brethren who will attend to the honorable duties of their important International Commissions.

- (5) That a uniform set of books should be furnished lodge officers; that the Auditors' reports should show and vouch assets and liabilities as well as receipts and disbursements, and that the District Deputies report thereon, as is admirably done for the Hamilton District this year.

- (6) That the advisability of fixing a higher minimum initiation fee be considered, and that no lodge be allowed to fix a prohibitory fee.

(7) The importance of the **summons**, which is more than a circular, should be emphasized, and that the form should be approved by some Grand Lodge officer. Also that the **petition** should be amended so as to show any previous rejection (if any), and to limit the application to one lodge at a time.

(8) That the subdivision or readjustment of two of the districts in respect of a few lodges on account of distance, be considered. See the excellent report of Georgian District No. 9.

(9) That names of lodges be not further duplicated. Your Board agrees that there should not be a half-dozen "Ionics" or "Dorics," any more than there should be a half-dozen Canadian post-offices of the same name. Your board suggests that the Masonic vocabulary of nomenclature has not yet been exhausted.

(10) That the by-laws of all private lodges should be revised, brought up to date, and approved.

All these and other matters should be given due consideration by the proper committees and officers of Grand Lodge before next meeting.

Your Board points out the great advantages enjoyed by the brethren who live in the great centres, having always available the best intellectual and musical talent, and trust that it may be shared with the brethren less favorably situated, as often as possible during the year. At the same time the Board notes with pleasure the great permanent and never-failing asset enjoyed by many so-called "outside" lodges, in the forethought and preparation for the social side of Masonry by the ladies of the households of the brethren, and by the increasing cultivation of music, the mind's delight, and the ally of congenial good cheer, as well as the rhythmic aid of ritual work.

The Grand Master and Deputy Grand Masters have set excellent examples in the number of visits they have paid in addition to their voluminous correspondence. The Board recommends the **visiting** of members of sister lodges, and thus weaving together by human intercourse, the warp and woof of the cloth of gold of our great fraternity. Ideas circulate, graces grow, nuggets of wisdom are found as we travel. Masonry has a universal language which all can share, as well as a universal key which will unlock all hospitable portals—the tongue of good report. Our forefathers travelled and shared the common good, so coming and going. We do act and react upon one another, as we move through the pilgrimage of life in touch with our brethren. In the "Institution of the dear love of comrades," we bear transplanting well, and he would be a recreant Mason who would break the circuit of that electric girdle that connects us with the Power House on the Line, to which we are drawn by the cords of a man and the bonds of love.

And what of Canada? Is there not a special field of usefulness opening up? Is there not an important work for each and everyone of our 48,500 Masons, in this jurisdiction, co-operating hand and hand with the thousands of other brethren under the same flag? True patriotism is the will to do well to our fellow-citizens. Canada is growing more composite and complex with every year of progress. "Behold a great number which no man could number, out of every nation and of all tribes and peoples,

and tongues, and they cry with a great voice. "Come help us and teach us." "The stranger that sojourneth with you shall be unto you as the home-born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself. **For ye were strangers.**" This is our warrant from the volume of the Sacred Law. We must assimilate the heterogeneous, unify the diverse, unfold the true emblems of the Freeman's Union. Jack, give the brotherly grip of good citizenship, so that those who cast in their lot with us may say, "Entreat me not to leave thee; where thou lodgest I will lodge—thy people shall be my people, thy God my God."

And in Canadian municipal and political life surely our Great Order can furnish men who will be interpreters of the realities and eternal verities, men whose watchword will be, "right fears no might."

"Tall men, sun-crowned, who stand above the fog,
In public duty and in private thinking."

Two events that appeal to both our National and fraternal spirit cannot be passed over in our Report on the Condition of Masonry. The Grand Master of England, the Duke of Connaught, a member of Ionic Lodge, Toronto, was greeted by 6,000 Masons at the Albert Memorial Hall, London, at a Grand Festival, summoned in honor of his appointment as Governor-General of Canada. Our distinguished brother represents more than any other the Imperial idea in Masonry, having served both as a gallant soldier and as a true and faithful Craftsman in every quarter of the globe—the exemplar of service, the worthy exponent of the glories of his Royal House and of the Honor of our Royal and Loyal Craft. We will welcome him with the homage due both to birth and brotherhood.

The time-honoured toast, "The King and the Craft," is indeed a pledge of allegiance in this year of Grace, 1911.

Never has the modern world seen a nobler sight; never did the ancient world have such a crowning, such a sealing of the covenant between Sovereign and people, as that of His Majesty, our King George V., the crystal of the nation's elements, the epitome of the history he represents. Dignity, refinement and charm marked the whole ceremony, and what is of special significance to us as Masons, feeling the touch of British brotherhood, is that it was the well-beloved son of Edward the Peacemaker who was thus consecrated to the Sovereignty of service. Every Mason must be deeply impressed with the wonderful analogy of the splendid pageantry and the religious liturgy of the crowning, in that Temple of Silence and Reconciliation, erected by Mason builders of ages gone, embalmed in rubric, ritual, tradition and symbol; the analogy with the noble ritual and symbolism of our own Loyal Craft, hallowed by centuries, and we are moved by the deepest feelings as we each mentally repeat with that vast multitude, "I do become your liege, man of life and limb, and of earthly worship; and Faith and Truth I will bear unto you, to live and die against all manner of folks. So help me God." That he as King and Emperor will "Be strong and play the man," in the words of the great Invocation, is the firm belief of his subjects Over Seas, and none acclaim him with more loyal devotion than does the Grand Lodge of Canada in Convocation here assem-

bled. "Fear God, love the Brotherhood, honor the King," are sculptured in capitals on the pedestal of our Institution.

Fraternally submitted,

W. N. PONTON, Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by R. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, and

Resolved, that the report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry be received and adopted.

REPORT OF BOARD ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report, which was read by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Chairman of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, beg leave to report as follows:

1. Re Bro. James Henderson, Sturgeon Falls Lodge, No. 447 (Sturgeon Falls). This was a charge of unmasonic conduct, consisting of (1) drunkenness and profligacy; (2) cruelty to wife and children; (3) carnally knowing his daughter, aged 14 years. The charges were investigated by his lodge and found proven and he was suspended indefinitely. Your Committee last year recommended that Bro. Henderson be summoned to show cause at this meeting why he should not be expelled from the Craft for said offences. He has been duly summoned to show cause as aforesaid, and has not appeared, and your Committee now recommend that he be expelled from the Craft for said offences.

2. Re Bro. Alexander McDonald, Bruce Lodge, No. 341, (Tiverton, Ont.). This was a charge of unmasonic conduct, consisting of assaulting his sister-in-law. Your Committee last year recommended that his suspension by his lodge be continued until this meeting of Grand Lodge, and then be continued or removed at the pleasure of Grand Lodge. Your Committee has this session interviewed Bro. McDonald, and are of the opinion that the suspension should now be removed, and report accordingly.

3. Re Bro. Jardine Russell, Granite Lodge, No. 446 (Fort Frances, Ont.). This was an appeal by a Past Master of Granite Lodge against the action of that lodge in finding Bro. Russell not guilty of unmasonic conduct, consisting of seducing a girl of unsound mind, and continuing in carnal knowledge of her for several months. The grounds of appeal were: (1) That the verdict was clearly against the evidence; (2) that the brethren present, eight in number, took an unduly lenient view of the evidence, and as the vote stood four in favor of finding the charge proven and an equal number against that course, and as it was alleged the matter had become a public scandal, your Committee last year recommended the appointment by the M. W. the Grand Master of a special commission to investigate the case and report the facts

to this meeting of Grand Lodge. The report was adopted, and in due course R. W. Bro. T. W. Chapple, P. D. D. G. M., Judge of the District Court of Rainy River District, was appointed a commissioner and investigated the matter fully and forwarded the evidence to the Grand Secretary. Your Committee having carefully examined and considered the evidence, now report as follows: (1) Bro. Russell was tried in October, 1909, before Police Magistrate C. J. Hollands on a charge of "Unlawfully and carnally knowing Gertrude Young, she being an idiot or imbecile, to his knowledge," and was found not guilty of the charge, which was dismissed; (2) that there is no satisfactory evidence from which your Committee can conclude that Bro. Russell was guilty of any immoral act, and, therefore, recommend that the appeal be dismissed and that the suspension of Bro. Russell be removed, and report accordingly.

4. Re Bro. John Mattson, Madawaska Lodge, No. 196 (Arnprior, Ont.) This is a charge that Bro. Mattson during the period between 31st December, 1905, and 17th March, 1911, while acting as tax collector of the town of Arnprior, embezzled \$11,246.55 contrary to section 359 (c) of the Criminal Code, and when placed upon his trial therefor pleaded guilty, and is now serving a term in the county goal at Pembroke therefor. He has been suspended therefor by his lodge and recommended for expulsion from the Craft. Your Committee concur in the action of his lodge, and now recommend that the suspension of Bro. Mattson be continued until the next meeting of Grand Lodge, and he be summoned to show cause at that meeting why he should not be expelled from the Craft for said offence.

5. Re W. Bro. William Richard Travers, a demitted member of Grand River Lodge, No. 151, (Berlin, Ont.), lately resident in Toronto, Ont. This is a charge by the Grand Secretary that W. Bro. Travers, being then General Manager of the Farmers' Bank of Canada, did make and publish certain false documents contrary to the provisions of the Bank Act of Canada, and did also, contrary to law, steal \$40,000.00, the property of the Farmers' Bank, and that being placed on his trial therefor on 13th January, 1911, was convicted thereof and is now serving a sentence of six years with hard labor therefor in Kingston Penitentiary. A special commissioner in the person of M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, P. G. M., having been appointed by the M. W. the Grand Master, to try and investigate W. Bro. Travers on said charge, same were duly investigated after notice to W. Bro. Travers, and in the presence of counsel appointed by the commissioner to represent the accused, and the accused having been found guilty of the said charges, and recommended for expulsion from the Craft, your Committee concur in the said findings and recommend that W. Bro. Travers be summoned to show cause at the next meeting of Grand Lodge why he should not be expelled from the Craft for said offences.

6. Re Bro. G. Cairnes, St. John's Lodge, No. 81, (Mount Brydges, Ont.) This was a charge that Bro. Cairnes had communicated to one, not a Mason, what had taken place in the lodge room, namely, that a certain applicant for initiation had been blackballed. Bro. Cairnes was suspended by the M. W. the Grand Master, and your Committee recommended that a charge be laid before St. John's Lodge by the J. W. therefor, which was

accordingly done, and R. W. Bro. T. Montgomery, D. D. G. M., of St. Clair District, No. 2, was appointed by the M. W. the Grand Master a special commission to try said charge in view of the fact that St. John's Lodge had voted to take no action in connection with said charge. The charge was duly investigated by R. W. Bro. Montgomery on 15th June, 1911, in the presence of Bro. Cairnes, who in effect admitted the correctness of the charge, but said he did not know that by so doing he was violating his obligation. Bro. Cairnes has written the Grand Secretary, most humbly apologizing for his action, and asking leniency therefor, and as Bro. Cairnes has now been suspended for over a year, your Committee recommend that his apology be accepted and the suspension removed.

7. Re Bro. Geo. Burtch, St. John's Lodge, No. 81 (Mount Brydges, Ont.) This as a charge that Bro. Burtch refused to attend or appear before R. W. Bro. Argue, D. D. G. M., as a witness in connection with a charge then under investigation by R. W. Bro. Argue at Mount Brydges, where Bro. Burtch resided. Bro. Burtch was suspended by the M. W. the Grand Master, and your Committee last year recommended that a charge be laid before St. John's Lodge by the Junior Warden therefor, which was accordingly done, and R. W. Bro. Montgomery of St. Clair District No. 2 was appointed by the M. W. the Grand Master a special commissioner to try said charge, in view of the fact that St. John's Lodge evinced an intention to delay the investigation of the charge by postponing same. The charge was duly investigated by R. W. Bro. Montgomery, but Bro. Burtch, although duly notified so to do, neglected to attend the proceedings, and voluntarily absented himself, even after the proceedings were postponed to give him an opportunity to do so. Your Committee is of the opinion that Bro. Burtch has deliberately disobeyed the R. W. the D. D. G. M. on both occasions, and thereby is guilty of a Masonic offence, and recommend that his suspension should be continued till the next meeting of Grand Lodge, and that in the meantime he be summoned to show cause at the next meeting of Grand Lodge why he should not be expelled from the Craft for said offence.

8. Re Bro. David Stevenson, King Solomon's Lodge, No. 22, (Toronto, Ont.) The charges against Bro. Stevenson were substantially two: (1) Using contemptuous and unmasonic language to the W. M. of his lodge, and also to the Treasurer of his lodge, thereby committing a Masonic offence; (2) Improperly threatening that candidates for initiation into King Solomon's Lodge would be blackballed. The M. W. the Grand Master appointed R. W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, P. D. D. G. M., a special commissioner to hear and investigate the charges, and he accordingly did so. Bro. Stevenson admitted using the language complained of, which was very profane and contemptuous, and expressed his deep regret therefor, and the special commissioner has found in effect that Bro. Stevenson, referring to a fancied grievance against the lodge and W. Bro. Jennings, the W. M. said, (a) "that he would make the lodge suffer for it;" (b) "that it had trouble over Harrison, and it will have trouble now;" (c) that he would "get even with Jennings;" (d) "that the lodge had suffered for its action once, and would suffer again;" (e) "that no candidates will go through as long as Jennings is Master;" (f) that "I want to be there

when the black balls are going, I will get even with Jernings." Also that Bro. Stevenson subsequently attended the next meeting of King Solomon's Lodge, when two candidates, whose applications had been carefully considered at the meeting of the Board of General Purposes and favorably reported upon, were balloted for and both rejected, and that prior to this meeting there had been no blackballing for a considerable period. Bro. Stevenson was thereupon suspended by the M. W. the Grand Master. Your Committee concur in the findings of the special commissioner, and in the suspension of Bro. Stevenson, and recommend that his suspension be continued until the next meeting of Grand Lodge and be then continued or removed according to the pleasure of Grand Lodge.

9. Re Bro. Frank White, St. George Lodge, No. 367 (Toronto, Ont.) The charges against Bro. White were: (1) Improperly threatening that candidates for initiation in St. George Lodge would be blackballed; (2) using contemptuous and threatening language to an officer of his lodge. The M. W. the Grand Master appointed R. W. Bros. F. W. Harcourt, E. B. Brown and E. J. B. Duncan, P. D. D. G. Ms., a special committee to investigate the charges and same were accordingly investigated. The commissioners have found the charges proven and the M. W. the Grand Master has suspended Bro. White until the meeting of Grand Lodge. Your Committee having most carefully considered the evidence, concur in the report of the special commission, and in the action of the M. W. the G. M. and recommend that Bro. White be suspended until the next meeting of Grand Lodge, the suspension to be then removed or continued at the pleasure of G. L. and reports accordingly.

10. Re Bro. F. W. Macqueen, Oxford Lodge, No. 76, (Woodstock, Ont.) This is an appeal by Bro. Macqueen against the action of the W. M. of Oxford Lodge in not including him as a member of Oxford Lodge eligible to be elected as W. M. at the meeting of the lodge in December, 1910, under the following circumstances. Bro. Macqueen is a life member of Oxford Lodge, having joined in 1882. In 1908 he was elected J. W. and served the office for twelve months, and in December, 1909, was elected S. W., was duly installed, and served the office for twelve months. While he was S. W. he removed from Woodstock to Toronto, but attended eleven of the twelve regular meetings, but none of the sixteen emergent meetings of the lodge. Some question having arisen as to his eligibility to be elected W. M., owing to his having removed from Woodstock to Toronto, reference was made to a ruling of the M. W. the G. M. at our last Session in another case to the following effect,

"When a S. W. has left the jurisdiction he is not eligible for the office of Master."

No doubt the reference to jurisdiction meant the jurisdiction of Grand Lodge, not of this other lodge, as there is no constitutional warrant for such a ruling, when the brother continues to reside within the jurisdiction of G. L. Your Committee is, therefore, of opinion that Bro. Macqueen was not rendered ineligible for election as W. M. of Oxford Lodge by his removal to Toronto, and reports accordingly.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. DAVID McPHERSON,

Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by R. W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Grievances and Appeals be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON CONSTITUTION, LAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report, which was read by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone for the Chairman of the Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence, beg leave to report that there does not appear to be any legal objection to any of the notices of motion to be placed before the Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

HY. ROBERTSON,

Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON FOREIGN COR- RESPONDENCE

R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Deputy Grand Master, presented the report on Foreign Correspondence, which upon motion was received and ordered to be printed in the proceedings of Grand Lodge.

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOR- EIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed presented the following Special Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU OF MASONIC AFFAIRS.

To the M. W., the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir:—

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, to whom was referred a communication from the International Bureau for Masonic Affairs, having its headquarters at Neuchâtel, Switzerland, begs leave to report:

1. The body in question professes to be an International Bureau for Masonic Affairs, and announces that it is entrusted with the task of "facilitating relations among Masonic powers without in any way affecting their independence or their sovereignty." It is "composed of the Grand Lodges, Grand Orients or Supreme Councils concerned and adhering to the International Bureau." Its objects are to disseminate information among Grand Bodies, to form a library, to publish a quarterly bulletin, and to print Masonic works. Its expenses are to be met by a "compulsory annual subscription" levied upon the adhering bodies and by donations and legacies. No information is given as to the Grand Bodies composing or adhering to the Bureau.

2. The need of such a Bureau is not apparent to your Committee. All Grand Lodges have Secretaries, and all, or nearly all, publish reports of their proceedings. Hitherto little, if any, difficulty has been experienced by this Grand Lodge in corresponding with sister bodies, and it does not appear how existing means of inter-communication can be improved by the International Bureau.

3. If the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, should become a constituent member of the International Bureau, it would be held, to some extent, responsible for the principles advocated in the Bulletin of that body.

A large part of the work of the Bureau appears to consist in the advocacy of "harmony" among Masonic bodies, and by "harmony" is meant recognition of, and the establishment of fraternal relations with those Grand Bodies, which have abandoned some of the most important landmarks of Masonry by removing the Volume of the Sacred Law from their altars, and all recognition of the Great Architect of the Universe from their rituals. Many years ago the Grand Lodge of Canada terminated fraternal intercourse with the Grand Orient of France for this reason. The Grand Orient has not to the present time changed its practice, and the Grand Lodge of Canada has not shown any disposition to recall its edict of non-intercourse. It would surely be an inconsistency in this Grand Lodge to give moral and financial assistance to an organization, one of whose chief endeavors is to proclaim that this Grand Lodge is wrong.

In the last issue of the Bulletin of the International Bureau, which has come under the notice of your Committee, is an article approving the action of some German Masons who have removed the Volume of the Sacred Law from their altars and substituted what is called "The White Book." This is a book having the one word "God" on the outside of its cover, and all the leaves of the book entirely blank.

Your Committee is unable to recommend that this Grand Lodge become a subscribing member of or give money aid to the International Bureau of Masonic Affairs.

Fraternally submitted,

A. T. FREED,
Chairman.

YORK GRAND LODGE OF MEXICO.

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

Most Worshipful Sir:—

You have been pleased to refer to this Committee for consideration and report a circular letter from R. W. Bro. F. E. Young, Grand Secretary of the "York Grand Lodge of Mexico, F. & A. M.," approved by M. W. Bro. W. H. Seaman, Grand Master.

This letter recites that on the 13th of April last, the name of the body was changed from "Muy Respectable Gran Logia Valle de Mexico," to "M. W. York Grand Lodge of Mexico, F. & A. M.," its jurisdiction extends over all symbolic York Rite Masonry throughout the Republic of Mexico," and it asks the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario to renew credentials to its representatives near that Grand Lodge."

Your Committee cannot learn that fraternal relations were ever established by this Grand Lodge with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, or that representatives were ever exchanged with it.

A Brother Luis Goapil, 33d degree, has been on record for a great many years as representative of this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Mexico; but as the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was not in existence when his name first appeared, it is evident that he was not accredited to that body.

At that time a number of Grand Lodges were in existence in Mexico, each declaring all the others illegitimate.

About 1900 the "Gran Dieta Simbolica" was formed. It appears to have been a sort of National Grand Lodge, while the others continued to exercise grand lodge powers to a limited extent, each within limited territories of the republic.

In 1901 the Grand Dieta declared itself dissolved. In going out of existence it recommended the Grand Lodges Valle de Mexico, Pente Juarez and Ignacia Ramirez as "regular Grand Lodges," adding that "there are other so-called Grand Lodges in the Republic which do not practice true Masonry."

The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico thereupon asked for fraternal recognition; but M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, then chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, recommended that no Masonic body in Mexico be recognized, and no action was taken.

In January, 1910, the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico resolved to amend its constitution, and the proposed amendments were drafted and submitted to the subordinate lodges for approval. In March of the same year it was declared that a large majority of all the lodges had approved the amendments and the Deputy Grand Master (the Grand Master having died) declared it to be at once operative. Grand Lodge then proceeded to the election of officers under the new constitution, and Bro. J. J. Reynoso, the Deputy Grand Master, was elected Grand Master.

Immediately after the declaration of the election of Bro. Reynoso, a number of the Spanish speaking brethren left the lodge room "without sign or ceremony and in great disorder." They repaired to another apartment in the same building and sent down a protest against the irregularity of the proceedings. Their allegations were that the private lodges had not had time to consider the proposed amendments to the constitution; and that the question of adopting the new constitution was not put to the

Grand Lodge, but that it was declared carried by the Deputy Grand Master without a vote. To use their own words, "The Deputy Grand Master, by a stroke of the gavel, declared the constitution of 1900 abrogated, and by another stroke of the gavel declared the new constitution in force."

Afterwards these dissenting lodges formed themselves into a body and declared it to be the real and genuine Grand Lodge Valley de Mexico. The Secretary of the original body adhered to them, carrying off the papers and the grand seal.

The body under Bro. Reynoso promptly declared the new body spurious and illegitimate, and formally suspended the warrants of all the lodges adhering to it.

At the regular annual Communication, held in April, 1911, the body of which Bro. Reynoso was Grand Master changed its name to that of "York Grand Lodge of Mexico."

A number of Grand Lodges exist in Mexico, nearly or quite all of them charging that some or all of the others are illegitimate.

Throughout the Republic the French Ritual of the Scottish Rite appears to be generally followed. A majority of the lodges adhering to the "York Grand Lodge of Mexico" use what they call the York Rite, and say they obtained the work from that used in New Mexico; but some of the lodges (those working in Spanish) retain the French or Scottish Rite work. The present Grand Master, M. . Bro. W. H. Seaman, was formerly Grand Lecturer in New Mexico, and was employed to revise the ritual of the Grand Lodge of that territory.

Considering the condition of Masonic affairs in Mexico, your Committee respectfully recommends that fraternal relations be not at present established with any Grand body in that Republic.

Fraternally submitted.

A. T. FREED, Chairman.

GRAND LODGE OF LIBERIA.

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.
Most Worshipful Sir:—

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, to which was referred an application for exchange of representatives with the Grand Lodge of Liberia, beg leave to report:

1. The letter before the Committee recites that, at a quarterly communication of the Most Worshipful, Grand Lodge of Liberia, held at the Masonic Hall, Monrovia, September 13th, 1909, "it was resolved that we send forward nominees to the several Grand Bodies with whom we are in fraternal relation, yours being one, requesting them to choose them as representatives near our Grand East." The name of R. W. Bro. Ashford L. Sims, Past Grand Treasurer, is submitted for appointment as such representative from this Grand Lodge, near the Grand Lodge of Liberia.

2. Your Committee cannot learn that fraternal recognition has ever been extended by the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, to the Grand Lodge of Liberia.

3. The letter is not accompanied by any evidence that the Grand Lodge of Liberia is a legitimate sovereign and independent

Grand Body, practising the ritual and adhering to the landmarks of Ancient Craft Masonry; and your Committee has not been able to get satisfactory information on these points from other sources.

4. Holding that proof of legitimacy, regularity and independence should accompany every application for fraternal recognition, your Committee respectfully recommends that action on this application be deferred.

Fraternally submitted,

A. T. FREED, Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, and

Resolved, that the Special Reports of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, regarding the International Bureau of Masonic Affairs, the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, and the Grand Lodge of Liberia, be received and adopted.

NOTICES OF MOTION

In the absence of M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, (who had given due notice thereof) it was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That section 186 of the Constitution be amended by striking out all that part thereof after the word "Lodge" in the sixth line.

The section as amended will read as follows:

Sec. 186. No lodge shall initiate a candidate whose residence is within the jurisdiction of another lodge, unless in a town or city where there are more lodges than one, in which case the lodges have concurrent jurisdiction. The jurisdiction extends in every direction half way to the nearest lodge.

In the absence of M. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, (who had given due notice thereof), it was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, and seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone:

That section 144 be amended by adding the following thereto:

144 (a) Service under sections 144 and 35 shall mean a bona fide substantial performance, by the brother holding office, of all the duties pertaining to that office, during his term of said office.

The motion was declared "lost."

It was moved by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, seconded by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, and

Resolved, That the Constitution be amended by adding the following section:

196 (a) If a candidate does not come forward for initiation within six months after his acceptance, another petition and ballot shall be required.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations for election of Grand Officers and members of the Board of General Purposes for the ensuing year, and for the place of holding the next annual meeting of Grand Lodge were received.

CALLED OFF.

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at six o'clock p.m., to meet again at 9.00 a.m. on July 20th.

SECOND DAY

Thursday, July 20th, 1911.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 9.00 o'clock a.m., M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, on the throne; Grand Officers, members and representatives present.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

R. W. Bro. James Strang, W. M., W. Bro. Andrew Brown, P. M. and Bro. John M. Dempster, J. W. of the Glasgow St. John Lodge, No. 3 bis, S. R. were announced and were introduced to Grand Lodge by V. W. Bro. Thomas McQuillan, G. D. of C. They were welcomed most cordially by the M. W. the Grand Master, and were invited to seats on the dais

MORAVIAN LODGE, NO. 431.

The matter of Moravian Lodge No. 431, referred to in the address of the M. W. the Grand Master, was brought before Grand Lodge by a petition from the W. M. and officers of Moravian Lodge, No. 431, Eden Grove, praying that permission be given for the removal of the lodge to the village of Cargill, and stating that a resolution approving thereof had been passed in the lodge by a large majority.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. J. Burns, seconded by W. Bro. W. J. Loughleen, and

Resolved, That permission be given to Moravian Lodge, No. 431, to remove from the village of Eden Grove to the village of Cargill.

ADOPTION OF REPORTS

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by R. W. Bro. G. S. May, and

Resolved, that the report of the Board on Audit and Finance be adopted.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Benevolence be adopted.

NOTICES OF MOTION

In the absence of R. W. Bro. J. K. Bryden, who had given due notice thereof, it was moved by W. Bro. W. A. Quibel, and seconded by W. Bro. J. H. Woodside

That section 3 of the Constitution be amended by adding the following:

"Except in the case of Lodges in the Algoma District, No. 17, which shall have power to appoint a Past Master, residing in said district, as proxy to represent three or less lodges in said district at the annual communication of Grand Lodge."

Also:

That the Constitution be amended by adding the following words:

"And that applications of candidates for initiation and affiliation shall be balloted for in the third degree."

Both of the above motions were declared "lost."

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. L. Gunn, seconded by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, and

Resolved, That section 190 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 190. The petition on being presented shall be referred to a committee of the Lodge, whose duty it shall be to enquire into the character of the applicant, and any other matters relevant to the petition, and to report thereon to the Lodge at its next regular meeting, held after the lapse of not less than four weeks.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. L. Gunn, seconded by W. Bro. Adam Rutherford, and

Resolved, That section 208 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 208. Every petition for affiliation shall be recommended by at least two members of the Lodge, Master Masons in good standing, and be referred to a committee of three or more appointed by the Master, which committee shall report to the lodge at the next regular meeting, held after the lapse of not less than four weeks, and before the ballot is taken, and should the report be unfavorable, the applicant shall be considered rejected without a ballot.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the M. W. the Grand Master, officers and members of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the province of Ontario:

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

The Committee on the address of the M. W. the Grand Master beg to congratulate the M. W. Brother on the exhaustive, business-

like review of the year's work. He is to be commended for the faithful, energetic and satisfactory manner in which he has performed the duties of his high and important office; his two years sway over the destinies of Grand Lodge is marked by large increases in membership, in revenue receipts and in expenditures for benevolent purposes. The persistency, energy and enthusiasm displayed by him in connection with the collection of the Semi-Centennial Fund proved such an incentive, not only to his representatives in the various districts, but to the rank and file of the Craft over whom he ruled, that generous responses were received from every lodge. Seven years ago Grand Lodge decided to mark the Semi-Centennial of its existence by raising by way of a voluntary contribution from the Constituent Lodges the sum of \$100,000.00 by means of which annual benevolent grants might be supplemented in cases of extreme distress. Up to the date of our M. W. Brother's occupancy of the Grand East only \$51,112 98 had been collected. During his two years' term of office he and his District Deputy Grand Masters collected about \$42,320.48, leaving only \$6,566.54 short of the \$100,000.00 mark, a record to be proud of. A record which places Grand Lodge under deep obligations to the M. W. Brother.

The Craft in Ontario can hardly realize the sacrifices made by the M. W. Brother in their behalf; every district except one has been visited by him. Apart from the duties of consecrating lodges and the laying of corner stones, no less than forty-three lodges have been honored by his presence and benefited by his advice and instruction. The time occupied in travelling over thirteen thousand miles during the year must have made severe inroads on his business and family life; he may rest assured that to us and to future generations he will be known as the Grand Master who did something.

The Committee approves of the appointment of Representatives at Sister Grand Lodges made by the Grand Master.

The Committee heartily approves of the views of the Grand Master regarding the care which should be exercised in the selection of places for annual meetings of Grand Lodge. In the opinion of the Committee, nominations for meeting places should be accompanied by an assurance or guarantee that not only a suitable building can be furnished for the business of Grand Lodge, but that ample and comfortable accommodation for delegates will be available. The Committee cannot, however, agree with the solution of the difficulty proposed by the Grand Master and would advise Grand Lodge to be slow in interfering with its present plan of membership.

The Committee endorses the remarks of the Grand Master as to the necessity of holding lodges of instruction in every district and of the benefits which will result therefrom. It also endorses the Grand Master's views upon the selection of D. D. G. Ms., and as to the manner in which their duties should be performed. He is, however, to be congratulated upon the efficient, painstaking and enthusiastic representatives with which he has been blessed during the year.

The suggestion of the Grand Master regarding the preparation of a model set of by-laws for the subordinate lodges will no doubt receive every consideration from the Board of General Purposes.

The Committee join with the Grand Master congratulating the D. D. G .Ms. in the attention given by them to the task of dedicating the Constituent Lodges. There is no doubt but that the incoming Grand Master will see to the completion of the good work.

The Committee endorses the action of the Grand Master in refusing to countenance the introduction into Ontario of the Order of the Eastern Star.

With reference to the Grand Master's allusion to the practice of canvassing for office, it is hoped that the charitable view taken by him of the young, misguided brother will have a beneficial effect; so much has been written by the Committee from time to time on this subject that it will content itself by again quoting from the Grand Lodge of Illinois:—"To receive recognition and promotion in Masonry is an honorable ambition, but to obtain it there is but one Masonic method of electioneering, and that is to discharge whatever duty may be assigned to you with fidelity, and to the very best of one's ability. In this way he will surely command the respect and good will of his brethren, whether they are able to find an official place for him or not."

The Grand Master's reference to Life Membership Fee is based on sound business principles.

The remarks of the Grand Master under the headings "Newspaper Advertising," "Benevolence," "Grand Lodge Returns," "Lodge Rooms," "Lodge Records," "Ceremonies," and the adoption of the Card System are approved of.

The Grand Master's remarks regarding requisite assistance for the Grand Secretary's office is hereby referred to the Board of General Purposes for the coming year.

The Committee approves of and confirms the following rulings of the Grand Master, viz.: Numbers 1 to 17, both numbers inclusive.

The Grand Master's action with reference to Blackwood Lodge, No. 311, Brant Lodge, No. 45, Humber Lodge, No. 305, and Great Western Lodge, No. 47, are endorsed.

It is gratifying to Grand Lodge to hear of the happy termination of the differences which existed between us and the Sister Grand Lodge of Michigan, with respect to the invasion of our jurisdiction by the Worshipful Master, officers and members of Pine Grove Lodge, Port Huron, Michigan.

The Grand Lodge of Michigan by its accredited representatives (two Past Grand Masters) admitted the invasion and expressed regret therefor. The prompt compliance by our Grand Master with the request of the said representatives to withdraw the Edict of non-intercourse and to visit the Grand Lodge of Michigan, which was then in Session, is viewed with pleasure by this Grand Lodge. While employed in writing this report the printed Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Michigan for the year 1911 has been placed before this Committee, in view of the happy termination of the unfortunate differences and the hospitality extended to our Grand Master as an invited guest, your Committee regret that their attention has been drawn to the insertion in the said Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Michigan of certain correspondence between Grand Master Swift and his Grand Secretary,

the purport of which, however, had not been communicated to our Grand Master or Grand Secretary. At this stage the Committee does not deem it advisable to comment thereon other than to remark that apparently the views of Grand Master Swift were not shared by his Grand Lodge and by its able and worthy representatives who waited upon our Grand Master. The Committee voice the feeling of this Grand Lodge in wishing that good will and friendship will at all times characterize the relations between the two Grand bodies.

The Committee trust that the Grand Master may be long spared so that Grand Lodge may have the benefit of his advice and co-operation in the upbuilding of the Craft in this his beloved Province. He can rest assured that his efforts are fully appreciated and that he carries away with him the best wishes of his brethren for himself and those who are near and dear to him.

Fraternally submitted,

E. T. MALONE, Chairman.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Aubrey White, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and

Resolved, that the report of the Special Committee on the address to the M. W., the Grand Master be received and adopted.

The list of nominations for election of Grand Officers and members of the Board of General Purposes, and for the place of holding the next annual communication of Grand Lodge, was read by the Grand Secretary.

SCRUTINEERS OF THE BALLOT

The M. W. the Grand Master appointed the following scrutineers of the ballot for Grand Officers and elective members of the Board of General Purposes, and directed them to collect the ballot and to report the result to Grand Lodge:

R. W. Bro. G. R. Lloyd, Strict Observance Lodge, No. 27, Hamilton, Chairman; W. Bros. E. B. Mackenzie, Riverdale Lodge, No. 494, Toronto; L. A. Willson, Riverdale Lodge, No. 494, Toronto; W. M. Miskelly, Riverdale Lodge, No. 494, Toronto; John Tanner, King Solomon's Lodge, No. 22, Toronto; A. F. Lawler, Composite Lodge, No. 30, Whitby; Jas. Malcolm, Markham Union Lodge, No. 87, Markham; W. J. McCormack, Bismarck Lodge, No. 419, Sarnia; John A. Nixon, Sturgeon Falls, No. 447, Sturgeon Falls; A. E. Colgan, Dundalk Lodge, No. 449, Dundalk; John Brennan, St. George Lodge, No. 367, Toronto; E. J. Repath, Harmony Lodge, No. 438, Toronto; W. R. Ledger, Alpha Lodge, No. 384, Toronto; J. B. Clarke, Mountain Lodge, No. 221, Thorold; Chas. H. Sanders, Lebanon Forest Lodge, No. 133, Exeter; B. E. Thompson, Wentworth Lodge, No. 166, Stoney Creek; A. Bechtel, Wilmot Lodge, No. 318, Baden; R. N. Fraser, Tecumseh Lodge, No. 245, Thamesville; John R. Livingston,

Wilmot Lodge, No. 318, Baden; W. A. Spence, St. George Lodge, No. 367, Toronto; A. W. Venning, Belmont Lodge, No. 190, Belmont; E. Myles, Saugeen Lodge, No. 197, Walkerton; Wm. Ostler, Azana Lodge, No. 61, Hamilton; A. H. Edwards, St. John's Lodge, No. 63, Carleton Place; Alfred L. Jackson, Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 103, St. Catharines; Jas. H. Woodside, Shuniah Lodge, No. 287, Port Arthur; H. D. Bibby, Catarqui Lodge, No. 92, Kingston; L. E. Edwards, King Solomon's Lodge, No. 43, Woodstock; C. B. McLean, Lorne Lodge, No. 282, Glencoe; Angus Graham, Tecumseh Lodge, No. 245, Thamesville; J. E. Francis, Patterson Lodge, No. 265, Thornhill; W. M. Logan, St. John's Lodge, No. 40, Hamilton; L. F. Stephens, Strict Observation Lodge, No. 27, Hamilton; J. G. Collinson, Valley Lodge, No. 100, Dundas.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

The following brethren were nominated by the representatives of lodges and Past Masters of the respective districts and were confirmed by the M. W. the Grand Master:

- R. W. Bro. B. S. Sheldon, Kingsville, Erie District, No. 1.
- " J. W. McDonald, Seckerton, St. Clair District, No. 2.
- " J. H. Wilson, London, London District No. 3.
- " S. J. Mallion, Stratford, South Huron District, No. 4.
- " W. T. Ross, Chesley, North Huron District, No. 5.
- " C. G. Hulet, Norwich, Wilson District, No. 6.
- " B. W. Zieman, Preston, Wellington District, No. 7.
- " B. E. Thompson, Stoney Creek, Hamilton District, No. 8.
- " George Menzies, Owen Sound, Georgian District, No. 9.
- " R. J. Gracey Wellandport, Niagara District, No. 10.
- " H. C. Scully, Toronto, Toronto West District, No. 11.
- " W. F. Bilger, Toronto, Toronto East District, No. 11a.
- " W. E. N. Sinclair, Oshawa, Ontario District, No. 12.
- " F. Davey Diamond, Belleville, Prince Edward District, No. 13.
- " D. A. Nesbit, Napanee, Frontenac District, No. 14.
- " E. A. McKim, Maitland, St. Lawrence District, No. 15.
- " Alex. Morris, Pembroke, Ottawa District, No. 16.
- " W. A. Quibell, Port Arthur, Algoma District, No. 17.
- " A. W. Smith, Sturgeon Falls, Nipissing District, No. 18.
- " Lollard McLeay, Gravenhurst, Muskoka District, No. 19.
- " John Crane, Peterborough, Otonabee District, No. 20.
- " O. D. Casselman, Chesterville, Eastern District, No. 21.

M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Grand Master, installed and invested the newly-elected District Deputy Grand Masters. The newly-installed District Deputy Grand Masters were proclaimed and saluted with the customary Grand Honors.

CALLED OFF

Grand Lodge was called from labor at one o'clock p.m., to meet again at two o'clock p.m.

CALLED ON

Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2.15 o'clock p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

R. W. Bro. Griffith R. Lloyd, Chairman, on behalf of the Scrutineers of the Ballot, presented the following report of the names of the brethren elected to the several offices and to the Board of General Purposes :

M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Toronto, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Wm. David McPherson, Toronto, Deputy Grand Master.

“ James A. Grobb, St. Catharines, Grand Senior Warden.

“ Thos. G. Davis, London, Grand Junior Warden.

“ Rev. Stuart A. Woods, Chesterville, Grand Chaplain.

M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Toronto, Grand Treasurer.

R. W. Bro. R. L. Gunn, Hamilton, Grand Secretary.

“ A. N. Pettit, Windsor, Grand Registrar.

And by open vote of Grand Lodge :

Bro. James Pritchard, Toronto, Grand Tyler.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

R. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, Belleville.

“ W. J. Drope, Grimsby.

“ Frederick Guest, St. Thomas.

V. W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, Hamilton.

R. W. Bro. Alex. Cowan, Barrie.

Subsequently the M. W. Grand Master was pleased to announce the following appointments on the Board for the ensuing term of two years :

R. W. Bro. Geo. S. May, Ottawa.

“ J. A. Macfadden, Toronto.

“ R. H. Revell, Walkerville.

“ C. W. Haentschel, Haileybury.

“ George Naylor, Ingersoll.

And for the term of one year :

“ Wm. Jackson, Kingston.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

The city of Toronto was chosen as the meeting place of the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

INSTALLATION

M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, installed and invested M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, M.W., Grand Master; R. W. Bro. William David McPherson, R. W. Deputy Grand Master; R. W. Bro. James A. Grobb, R. W. Grand Senior Warden; R. W. Bro. Thos. G. Davis, R. W. Grand Junior Warden: who were proclaimed and saluted with the customary Grand Honors.

M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone invested R. W. Bro. Rev. Stuart A. Woods, R. W. Grand Chaplain; and R. W. Bro. A. N. Pettit, R. W. Grand Registrar, who were proclaimed and saluted with the customary Grand Honors.

APPOINTED OFFICERS

The M. W. the Grand Master was pleased to announce the following appointments to office for the ensuing year:

- V. W. Bro. W. F. McGiverin, Hamilton, Grand Senior Deacon.
 “ J. B. Coleridge, Ingersoll, Grand Junior Deacon.
 “ Lewis F. Riggs, Toronto, Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
 “ W. T. Goodison, Sarnia, Asst. Grand Secretary.
 “ J. R. Livingston, Baden, Asst. G. Dir. of Ceremonies.
 “ W. D. Fairbrother, Beamsville, Grand Sword Bearer.
 “ L. W. Coutlee, Ottawa, Grand Organist.
 “ Chas. A. Watt, Gananoque, Asst. Grand Organist.
 “ Frank Saunders, Toronto, Grand Supt. of Works.
 “ R. F. Segsworth, Toronto, Grand Pursuivant.

Grand Stewards

- V. W. Bro. J. R. Palmer, Tilbury.
 “ Chas. Scrase, St. Thomas.
 “ Edwin Pengelly, Walkerton.
 “ Thos. Godfrey, Elora.
 “ J. R. Lawrence, Creemore.
 “ Robt. Ferguson, Toronto.
 “ W. G. Neil, Wellington.
 “ Arch Graham, Brockville.
 “ F. C. Perry, Fort William.
 “ Frank K. Ebbitt, Haileybury.
 “ Jos. Hilliar, Burk's Falls.
 “ S. N. Morrison, Vankleek Hill.

Grand Standard Bearers

- V. W. Bro. D. J. Hartle, Minden
 “ J. S. Moorecraft, Bowmanville.

It was moved by W. Bro. Roger Miller, seconded by V. W. Bro. R. F. Richardson, and

Resolved, That the sum of \$500.00 be appropriated to procure a testimonial to M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, the retiring Grand Master, for the able and energetic manner in which he has presided over Grand Lodge for the past two years, and that the M. W. the Grand Master be requested to appoint a committee to select and present the same.

The M. W. the Grand Master was pleased to appoint M. W. Bros. E. T. Malone (chairman), J. E. Harding and A. T. Freed as a committee to select and present the testimonial.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. F. Guest, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and

Resolved, That the thanks of Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the brethren of St. Catharines for the excellent accommodation provided and kindly attentions shown to the members during this annual communication.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. A. T. Freed, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and

Resolved, That the thanks of Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the Committee on Credentials and the Scrutineers of the Ballot, for the valuable services rendered by them at this annual communication.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. F. Guest, seconded by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Grand Lodge be accorded to the Commanding Officer, Col. W. W. Burleigh, and officers of the 19th Battalion, A.L.I., for their very great kindness in granting the use of their very pleasant quarters for the use of Grand Lodge during the present communication, as well as for the many personal courtesies shown by them.

INSTRUCTION OF D.D G.Ms.

The M. W. the Grand Master announced that M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone would instruct the newly installed District Deputy Grand Masters in the secret work, and in the duties of their office generally.

The Grand Chaplain then invoked the blessing of the Most High upon the members of Grand Lodge during the coming recess.

THE GRAND LODGE CLOSED

The business of Grand Lodge being ended, it was closed at 3.20 o'clock p.m.

Attest:



R. J. Gunning
Grand Secretary.

RETURN OF LODGES AS AT JUNE 24,

Also Receipts From Lodges for the Year Ended 31st

Lodges marked (a) hold their Installation of Officers on the Festival

No. of Lodge.	Lodge.	Where Held	Night of Meeting.	W. Master.	Secretary.
2	aNiagara	Niagara	W. on or b. f.m.	Thos. A. Stewart	J. H. Brown
3	aThe Anct. St. John	Kingston	1st Thursday	W. H. Gimblett.	R. Easton Burne
5	aSussex	Brockville	3rd Monday	L. MacKenzie	Geo. K. Dewey.
6	The Barton	Hamilton	2nd Wednesday	Samuel Vila	Geo. H. Bull
7	Union	Grimsby	Th. on or b.f.m.	W. W. Kydd	A. E. Phipps
9	aUnion	Napanee	F. on or b. f.m.	J. W. Thompson	W. J. Shannon.
10	aNorfolk	Simcoe	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. J. Schnyer	R. E. Guntton
11	aMoira	Belleville	W. on or b.f.m.	E. C. Biagrove.	John Newton
14	aTrue Britons	Perth	1st Monday	R. E. Hicks	F. V. Buffam
15	St. Georges'	St. Catharines	Tu. on or b.f.m.	E. W. Smith	A. N. Lindsay
16	aSt. Andrew's	Toronto	2nd Tuesday	H. Dunlop	J. D. Keachie
17	St. John's	Cobourg	Tu. on or b.f.m.	A. B. Roberts	Robt. Buck
18	aPrince Edward	Pictou	Th. on or b.f.m.	R. E. Wright	R. H. Hubbs
20	aSt. John's	London	2nd Tuesday	F. J. Darch	J. O. Weldon
21a	aSt. John's	Vankleek Hill.	Tu. on or b.f.m.	D. J. Chalmers.	A. D. McRae
22	aKing Solomon's	Toronto	2nd Thursday	J. hn Tannr	J. C. Bansley
23	Richmond	Richmond Hill	M. on or b.f.m.	Robt. Shaw	H. A. Nichols
24	aSt. Francis	Smith's Falls	F. on or b.f.m.	C. L. B. Stommers.	G. W. Fluker
25	aIonic	Toronto	1st Tuesday	J. H. Spence	R. Cassels
26	aOntario	Port Hope	3rd Friday	F. J. A. Morris.	W. J. Robertson
27	aStrict Observance	Hamilton	3rd Friday	C. A. Herald	W. C. Morton
28	aMount Zion	Kemptville	W. b.f.m.	A. Langstaff	S. H. Guest
29	aUnited	Brighton	Th. on or b.f.m.	Harrison Carr	B. C. H. Becker
30	aComposite	Whitby	1st Thursday	C. F. McGillivray	R. S. Cormack
31	aJerusalem	Bowmanville.	W. on or b.f.m.	C. B. Kent	J. S. Moorecraft
32	aAmity	Dunville	W. on or a.f.m.	L. Bonham	W. D. Patterson
33	aMaitland	Goderich	2nd Tuesday	Chas. E. Sale	Jno. Straiton
34	aThistle	Amherstburg	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. F. Jamieson.	A. E. Wright
35	St. John's	Cayuga	Th. on or a.f.m.	Emuel Fuller	J. W. Sheppard
37	aKing Hiram	Ingersoll	1st Friday	Benjer Miller	R. T. Agar
38	aTrent	Trenton	Tuesday b.f.m.	S. Pem Peck	R. H. Spencer
39	aMount Zion	Brooklin	Tu. on or b.f.m.	Jos. Johnson	John J. Moore
40	aSt. John's	Hamilton	3rd Thursday	F. M. Barnard.	W. J. McAllister
41	aSt. George's	Kingsville	Th. on or b.f.m.	D. M. McIntyre.	E. A. Brown
42	aSt. George's	London	1st Thursday	E. W. G. Quantz.	A. Ellis
43	aKing Solomon's	Woodstock	1st Tuesday	R. D. Montgomery	A. McGachie
44	aSt. Thomas	St. Thomas	1st Thursday	R. J. Cotterell.	L. Slater
45	Brant	Brantford	2nd Tuesday	H. D. Clapsattle.	Geo. Whitwill
46	aWellington	Chatham	1st Monday	W. A. Sample	Alex. Gregory
47	aGreat Western	Windsor	Th. on or b.f.m.	Jas. E. Thompson	John Fry
48	aMadoc	Madoc	Tu. on or b.f.m.	G. F. Wright	L. F. Morrice
50	aConsecon	Consecon	F. on or b.f.m.	F. B. Thornton.	E. P. Cox
52	aDalhousie	Ottawa	1st Tuesday	Geo. Parker	H. W. Jackson
54	aVaughan	Maple	Tu. on or b.f.m.	J. G. McDonald.	J. B. McLean
55	aMerrickville	Merrickville	Tu. on or b.f.m.	Rev. E. Thomas	G. R. Putnam
56	aVictoria	Sarnia	1st Tuesday	Geo. Parsons	F. C. Watson
57	aHarmony	Binbrook	W. on or b.f.m.	E. I. Twiss	E. J. Whitworth
58	aDoric	Ottawa	1st Friday	G. H. Clark	A. G. Greenfield
61	aAcacia	Hamilton	2nd Friday	Wm. Ostler	Hugh Murray
62	aSt. Andrew's	Caledonia	W. on or b.f.m.	W. J. O'leard	John Thompson
63	aSt. John's	Carleton Place	2nd Wednesday	A. H. Edwards.	A. T. Hudson
64	aKilwinning	London	3rd Friday	Finlay Marshall	R. W. Glover
65	aRehobam	Toronto	1st Thursday	Wm. Croft	G. H. Mitchell
66	Durham	Newcastle	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. H. Gibson	J. E. Rinch
68	aSt. John's	Ingersoll	3rd Friday	C. H. Crooker	S. M. Douglas
69	aStirling	Stirling	Th. after f.m.	J. M. Pots	G. W. Bailey
72	Alma	Galt	Last Tuesday	J. W. MacRae	A. J. Oliver
73	aSt. James	St. Mary's	1st Monday	J. F. Cardwell.	A. Carman
74	aSt. James	S. Augusta	M. nearest f.m.	F. L. Bissell	C. B. Murray
75	St. John's	Toronto	1st Monday	H. G. Langley	Jno. Rogerson

1911, AND LAST RETURNS RECEIVED

May, 1911, and Ledger Balances at that Date

of St. John the Evangelist; all others on that of St. John the Baptist

No. of Lodge	Initia'd	Passed.	Raised	Joined.	With- drawn.	Deaths	S. N. P. D.	S. U. M. C.	Ex- pelled.	Rest'd.	Total M' m' b's	Last Ret'ns	Paid Grand Lodge.	Ledger.	
														Dr. Bal.	Cr. Bal.
2	9	9	6	4	2	2					96	June, '11	85 00		
3	14	17	15	4	5	1				1	195		112 50	11 75	
5	12	11	14		1	3	2			1	260		148 25		
6	9	7	10	6		6	3			1	412	"	297 75	3 50	
7	12	13	9	1		2				1	119	"	89 60	8 50	
9	8	6	7	2	5	3	6			2	140	"	92 75	2 00	
10	4	1	4	2	5		2			1	134	"	99 75		
11	20	13	16			6	6			2	265	"	183 35	3 00	
14	2	2	3							1	122	Dec., '10	81 50		
15	3	3	6	1		2				1	109	June, '11	69 00	2 00	
16	25	22	23	7	3	5	3			1	400		251 75		
17	8	7	9	1	1	1				1	130	"	44 75	25	
18	7	8	5	1	3	8	5			2	229	"	159 75		1 00
20	8	13	12	3	3	2	4			1	255	Dec., '10	141 50		1 00
21a	7	7	6	2	2	1	5			1	70	June, '11	51 25		
22	15	20	20	2	3	7	6			1	300		229 75	3 00	
23	3	3	3			2				1	50	"	42 75		
24	8	6	5	1	7	2				3	149	"	104 50	4 50	
25	6	7	5		4					1	290	Dec., '10	145 50		
26	14	17	15	1	4	5				3	41	June, '11	105 13	2 12	
27	10	13	11	1	4	6	2			1	42	"	270 25		
28	4	10	10	1	1	2				1	69	"	66 75	1 60	
29	2			1	3	1	1			1	117	"	71 00	1 85	
30	3	5	4		1	1				1	78	"	58 00	7 50	
31	8	8	10		1	1				1	112	"	86 25	4 55	
32	12	9	10	3	4	2				1	139	"	101 85		25
33	17	17	12	3	4	2	4			1	156	"	124 50		1 50
34	5	3	3			1				1	111	"	74 70	1 00	
35	4	4	3		2	2				1	80	Dec., '10	52 75		
37	5	2	2	2	2	5	1			1	138	June, '11	91 75	7 00	
39	6	3	7	4	1	3	2			1	129	"	100 75	5 40	
39	9	8	8							1	48	Dec., '10	69 00	4 50	
40	15	18	15	2	7	6	3			5	473	June, '11	317 00		
41	14	15	14	1	3	1	1			1	118	"	120 75	5 75	
42	11	8	11	4	1	5				1	159	Dec., '10	117 50	3 50	
43	27	22	22	2	2	5	7			1	230	June, '11	197 50		1 00
44	28	24	12	8	4	2	13			2	300	"	252 25		3 00
45	14	23	27	3	4		4			1	298	"	300 60	50	
46	19	18	18	2	7	2	4			1	221	Dec., '10	176 75		
47	33	34	37	2	2	5				1	433	June, '11	350 25	8 20	
48	6	5	5	1	1		1	1		1	119	"	105 50		25
50	1	1	1		3		3			1	52	"	43 25		3 00
52	27	26	25	2	4	4	3			1	299	"	193 80	5 60	
54	2	4	4			2				2	43	"	31 25	6 10	
55	1	2	1	1	3	1		1		1	93	Dec., '10	54 50		3 00
56	2	3	1							1	298	"	150 50	3 00	
57	3	3	3	1	3					1	60	June, '11	45 25		
58	15	18	11	4	2	2	10			1	788	"	134 50	7 25	
61	31	27	31	3	6	3	6			5	448	"	329 10	3 00	
62	5	5	3	1	1		2			1	66	"	39 00	2 10	
63	6	4	3	2	2	1				1	164	"	103 30	6 50	
64	14	13	14	3	4	3	2			2	224	"	150 75		
65	36	31	28	8	4	3	4			4	445	"	288 75	2 00	
66			2							1	52	Dec., '10	47 25		
68	4	4	4	1	1					1	110	June, '11	72 50	75	
69	6	8	5	2	2	1	1			3	88	"	72 75	4 00	
72	9	10	7	1		1				1	154	"	102 50		1 00
73	7	6	7	1	1	2				1	95	Dec., '10	72 00	6 50	
74										1	73	June, '10	40 50	4 50	
75	2	4	6		3	2	9			1	293	June, '11	141 00		

No. of Lodges.	Lodge.	Where Held	Night of Meeting.	W. Master.	Secretary.
76	aOxford	Woodstock	2nd Monday	A. W. Cameron	J. W. Dutton
77	aFaithful Brethr'n	Lindsay	1st Friday	Rev. J. Wallace	R. G. Corneil
78	aKing Hiram	Tillsonburg	W. on or b.f.m.	Geo. H. Hollier	H. McQueen
79	aSimcoe	Bradford	Tu. on or b.f.m.	Frank Kilkenny	G. A. Carefoot
81	aSt. John's	Mt. Brydges	Tu. on or b.f.m.	S. W. Hyatt	Thos. C. West
82	aSt. John's	Paris	2nd Tuesday	Jno. A. Sinclair	P. Buckley
83	aBeaver	Strathroy	F. a.f.m.	E. E. Sexsmith	R. T. Rich'dson
84	aClinton	Clinton	F. on or a.f.m.	V. J. Tozer	H. B. Chant
85	aRising Sun	Athens	Th. on or b.f.m.	E. S. Clow	I. C. Alguire
86	aWilson	Toronto	3rd Tuesday	Jos. Oliver	R. W. Parkinson
87	Markham Union	Markham	F. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Beatty	R. W. Groves
88	St. George's	Owen Sound	W. on or b.f.m.	C. D. Taylor	J. M. Campbell
90	aManito	Collingwood	W. on or a.f.m.	R. A. Stephens	F. L. Connolly
91	aColborne	Colborne	F. on or b.f.m.	F. M. Brintell	W. Bellamy
92	aCataraqui	Kingston	2nd Wednesday	W. C. Crozier	Robt. Hendry
93	Northern Light	Kincardine	1st Wednesday	M. D. McPhail	M. J. McPhers'd
94	aSt. Mark's	Port Stanley	2nd Tuesday	Geo. H. Jackson	Wm. Jackson
96	aCorinthian	Barrie	1st Thursday	F. W. Otton	Alfred Wilkes
97	aSharon	Queensville	Tu. on or b.f.m.	Eugene Rouen	Jas. M. Milne
98	True Blue	Bolton	F. on or a.f.m.	H. W. Shoemaker	W. T. Baker
99	aTuscan	Newmarket	2nd Wednesday	F. R. Fisher	G. E. Fierheller
100	Valley	Dundas	2nd Monday	J. G. Collinson	F. A. Latshaw
101	aCorinthian	Peterboro	3rd Friday	G. Comstock	R. M. Waddell
103	aMaple Leaf	St. Catharines	Last Thursday	G. H. Sherwood	H. J. Johnston
104	St. John's	Norwich	W. on or a.f.m.	N. Haigh	G. W. Poldon
105	aSt. Mark's	N. Falls S'th	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. E. McCredie	R. Sloggett
106	aBurford	Burford	W. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Clement	Geo. Armstrong
107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	W. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Crinklaw	H. Poole
108	Blenheim	Princeton	F. on or a.f.m.	C. P. Cowan	F. J. Daniel
109	aAlbion	Harrowsmith	F. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Burton	J. T. McKim
110	aCentral	Prescott	1st Tuesday	A. T. Adams	J. F. Graham
113	aWilson	Waterford	W. on or b.f.m.	T. C. Savage	R. D. Gibson
114	aHope	Port Hope	1st Friday	P. J. Eadmunds	Thos. H. Bell
115	aIvy	Beamsville	Tu. on or b.f.m.	V. C. Bentley	F. S. Pruihomme
116	aCassia	Thedford	M. on or b.f.m.	Geo. C. Hall	A. J. Grant
118	Union	Schomberg	M. on or b.f.m.	Geo. C. Hall	H. H. Coffey
119	aMaple Leaf	Bath	M. before f.m.	G. M. Hallowell	F. W. Armstrong
120	Warren	Fingal	Tu. on or b.f.m.	A. C. Huffman	C. P. Silcox
121	aDoric	Brantford	3rd Friday	J. W. Brown	Jas. C. Spence
122	aRenfrew	Renfrew	1st Monday	C. J. Parker	M. McKinnon
123	aBelleville	Belleville	1st Thursday	m. Usher	David Barragar
125	aCornwall	Cornwall	1st Wednesday	C. D. Dyke	John Ridley
126	aGolden Rule	Campbellford	Tu. on or b.f.m.	R. M. Nicholl	C. H. Harris
127	aFranko	Frankford	M. before f.m.	J. H. Caskey	J. B. Ford
128	aPembroke	Pembroke	1st Thursday	S. Howell	W. D. Dewar
129	The Rising Sun	Aurora	1st Friday	S. M. Snedden	Fred Baldwin
131	aSt. Lawrence	Southampton	Tu. on or a.f.m.	W. H. Birchard	John McVittie
133	aLebanon Forest	Exeter	M. on or b.f.m.	Angus McLeod	W. J. Hexman
135	aSt. Clair	Milton	Th. on or b.f.m.	Fred Kerr	Alex. Armstrong
136	Richardson	Stouffville	Th. on or b.f.m.	S. R. Bews	J. W. Shankel
137	aPythagoras	Meaford	F. nearest f.m.	E. S. Barker	F. A. Clarke
139	Lebanon	Oshawa	2nd Tuesday	G. B. Carnahan	W. E. N. Sinclair
140	aMalahide	Aylmer	W. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Merritt	J. R. Woods
141	aTudor	Mitchell	Tu. on or b.f.m.	E. D. Bowly	A. J. Blowes
142	aExcelsior	Morrisburg	F. on or b.f.m.	F. Porterfield	Wm. C. Davy
143	aFriendly Bros.	Iroquois	Wed. b.f.m.	E. M. Beckstead	S. W. Wood
144	aTecomseh	Stratford	3rd Friday	J. D. Harkness	J. Stevenson
145	aJ. B. Hall	Millbrook	Th. or or b.f.m.	H. A. Lawson	C. Thorndyke
146	aPrince of Wales	Newburgh	Wed. b.f.m.	G. S. Carveth	J. K. Fraser
147	aMississippi	Almonte	1st Friday	J. M. Thompson	W. S. Boyd
148	aCivil Service	Ottawa	2nd Tuesday	J. T. Kirkland	Thos. Lawson
149	aErie	Port Dover	M. on or b.f.m.	T. E. Clendinnen	J. R. Davis

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No. of Lodge	Initia'd	Passed.	Raised	Joined.	With- drawn.	Deaths	S. N. P. D.	S. U. M. O.	Ex- pelled.	Rest'd.	Total M'mb's	Last Returns	Paid Grand Lodge.	Ledger.	
														Dr.Bal.	Cr.Bal.
76	21	16	19	3	4	1	11			1	222	June, '11	180 00	6 00	
77	17	14	14	2	2	5	3			1	211	"	171 75		
78	7	11	5	1	4	1	8				170	Dec., '10	194 00	10 25	
79	9	9	7		3	1	4			1	72	June, '11	57 00		1 00
81	2	1	1			2					93	"	77 50		
82	10	10	10		2		3			1	104	"	105 75	1 00	
83	3	3	1	1	2		1			1	115	Dec., '10	104 75	4 50	
84	6	6	5		1		2			2	89	June, '11	66 00		
85	2	3	3	2	2	2					76	"	60 30		
86	19	31	32		2	4	13				349	"	186 75		25
87	5	3			1	2	2				84	"	46 25	6 50	
88	18	11	4		1					2	179	"	134 50		
90	22	17	14	1	5	3				1	214	"	143 75		5 50
91	5	5	3		4	3	8				95	Dec., '10	89 50	6 00	
92	21	20	18	6	5	5				3	214	June, '11	133 00		1 00
93	5	7	3		2	2				1	111	"	82 50		
94	2	1	1								67	Dec., '10	42 25	4 50	
96	7	13	12	1	4	1	3				199	June, '11	138 00	25	
97	9	5	2	1							75	"	50 75	4 50	
98	10	7	5	1	4	3					58	"	75 75	4 50	
99	5	8	5		4	1					84	"	72 75	4 50	
100	9	10	10		2						159	"	105 35	5 65	
101	11	10	7	7	2	2	2			1	155	"	102 25	3 25	
103	18	21	16	4	3	1					208	"	128 50		
104	4	7	7	1			2			1	105	"	66 00		
105	7	12	10	1		4	2				143	"	122 00		25
106	3	3	2								75	"	43 00		
107	2	2	2		1	1	5				71	"	98 25		
108	2	2	2				8			1	54	Dec., '10	35 75		
109	7	7	4		1						90	"	61 00	2 00	
110	5	6	6			4	6				111	June, '10	71 00		
113	5	4	5		2	4					142	"	104 50	5 00	
114	11	9	8		1	1					134	"	91 00	25	
115	9	9	10		1	3					131	"	106 25		
116	3	2	2		1	1					45	"	38 25	5 50	
118	9	9	7			1					74	Dec., '10	67 25	19 25	
119	1		4								71	"	56 75		
120	5	1	1	1	1	1					56	June, '11	47 75	25	
121	22	24	22	6	4	2		1		2	466	"	315 50	2 00	
122	3	3	4	1	3	3				1	123	"	94 75		
123	15	14	9		1	3	5			1	225	"	134 10	2 75	
125	5	4	5	3	2	1	3				120	"	90 25	1 00	
126	5	2	3	1	2						84	"	75 35	2 00	
127	5	2	2	1	1	4	3			1	101	"	66 00	6 50	
128	9	8	10	2	1	5					157	"	111 50	1 50	
129	3	4	3		4	2	1				90	"	94 50	5 00	
131					3						78	Dec., '10	58 50	3 75	
133	6	5	2	2		1					106	June, '11	66 50	5 50	
135	4	6	7			2					109	"	74 50	3 50	
136	7	6	5				4				62	"	52 25	5 00	
137	2	1	1		2	1	1			1	120	"	75 00	1 00	
139	11	7	13	3	1	3	2				124	"	99 25		
140	8	5	5	2	7	1	1				112	"	99 25	4 50	
141	2	1	1	1	5					1	57	Dec., '10	35 00	20 50	
142	3	3	3	3	5	2				2	74	June, '11	43 75		25
143	5	4	3	1	5	5	2			1	89	"	54 50	7 50	
144	25	28	25	4	7	2					226	"	213 00	8 65	
145	2	1	1	1			1				52	"	32 00		
146	3	2	3								62	"	48 25		25
147	6	4	4								94	"	55 80	1 85	
148	21	22	22	7	7	2					189	"	124 25		
149	3	2	2	1	1	2	2			1	73	"	49 25		

Returns of Lodges at June 24, 1911

No. of Lodge.	Lodge.	Where Held	Night of Meeting.	W. Master.	Secretary.
151	aThe Grand River	Berlin	2nd Tuesday	G. J. Lippert	D. W. Houston.
153	aBurns	Wyoming	Th. on or b.f.m.	John Brown	R. Coghlan
154	aIrving	Lucan	Th. on or b.f.m.	H. A. McEwen	C. K. Haskett
156	aPeterboro	Peterboro	1st Friday	W. J. Henry	W. H. Walkey
156	aYork	N. Toronto	3rd Friday	J. M. Wilson	Hy. G. Cooper.
157	aSimpson	Newboro	Tu. on or b.f.m.	John E. Dier	Jos. H. Butler.
158	aAlexandra	Oil Springs	Thursday a.f.m.	Donald Wallace	W. H. Guggan
159	aGoodwood	Richmond	Tu. on or b.f.m.	H. S. Mann	R. S. Drant
161	aPercy	Warkworth	Wed. b.f.m.	J. N. Stone	F. S. Ewing
162	aForest	Wroxeter	M. on or b.f.m.	G. Davidson	Thos. Brown
164	aStar in the East	Wellington	Tu. on or b.f.m.	G. W. Beatson	W. W. Fitzgerald
165	aBurlington	Burlington	W. on or b.f.m.	H. J. Dynes	H. M. Pettit
166	aWentworth	Stoney Creek.	M. on or b.f.m.	A. E. Vollick	R. H. Dewar
168	aMerritt	Welland	M. on or b.f.m.	John Goodwin	John Coulson
169	aMacnab	Port Colborne	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. F. Fawcett.	John Cook
170	aBritannia	Seaforth	1st Monday	John Berry	L. C. Jackson.
171	aPrince of Wales.	Lawrence St'n	F. on or b.f.m.	Angus Murray	D. K. McLellan.
172	aAyr	Ayr	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. A. Woolner.	J. P. Wyllie
174	aWalsingham	Port Rowan	Th. on or b.f.m.	J. A. Foster	James Ryan
177	aThe Builders'	Ottawa	2nd Friday	A. H. McKee	H. H. Cairns
178	aPlattsville	Plattsville	F. on or b.f.m.	R. Johnston	W. R. Henders'n
180	aSpeed	Guelph	1st Tuesday	ii. L. Everdell	W. G. Stephenson
181	aOriental	Port Burwell	Tu. on or b.f.m.	S. J. McClelland	W. J. Hillman.
184	aOld Light	Lucknow	Th. on or b.f.m.	J. N. MacKenzie	A. B. McLeod
185	aEnniskillen	York	M. on or b.f.m.	A. Renshaw	B. Bond
186	aPlantagenet	Plantageret	M. on or b.f.m.	F. C. Argue	Rev. Robertson
190	aBelmont	Belmont	F. on or b.f.m.	A. W. Verning.	John F. Turner.
192	aOrillia	Orillia	1st Friday	G. S. Wainwright	G. A. Cole
193	aScotland	Scotland	M. on or b.f.m.	J. M. Vaughan.	J. A. Messecar.
194	aPetrolia	Petrolia	2nd Wednesday.	John Fraser	Wm. Barrett
195	aTuscan	London	1st Monday	W. H. Abbott	T. C. Wright
196	aMadawaska	Arnprior	2nd Monday	A. E. de Renzy.	Hy. Newham
197	aSaugeen	Walkerton	2nd Tuesday	E. Myles	W. H. Thompson
200	aSt. Alban's	Mount Forest	F. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Taylor	G. J. Reid
201	aLeeds	Gananoque	Tu. on or b.f.m.	A. B. Munro	W. S. Bowden.
203	aIrvine	Flora	3rd Friday	J. McGowan	Thos. Godfrey
205	aNew Dominion	New Hamburg	M. on or a.f.m.	S. S. Ireland	W. L. Sutherland
207	aLancaster	Lancaster	Tu. on or b.f.m.	C. McRae	W. N. McGillis.
209a	aSt. John's	London	1st Friday	A. E. Santo	J. E. Keenleyside
209	aEvergreen	Lanark	1st Tuesday	D. McLaren	C. M. Forbes
212	aElysian	Garden Island	1st Monday	John K Kennedy	Rollie Mullin
215	aLake	Ameliasburg.	M. on or b.f.m.	C. H. Brooks	Jas. E. Glenn.
216	aHarris	Orangeville	Tu. on or b.f.m.	J. Kilpatrick	D. McPherson
217	aFrederick	Delhi	M. on or b.f.m.	G. W. Robins	W. E. Sutherland
218	aStevenson	Toronto	2nd Monday	W. G. C. Reed	J. H. Horswell.
219	aCredit	Georgetown	F. on or b.f.m.	John P. Reid	R. C. Adams
220	aZeredatha	Uxbridge	M. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Kydd	H. P. Cooke
221	aMountain	Thorold	W. on or b.f.m.	J. B. Clarke	S. G. Gartley
222	aMarmora	Marmora	M. on or b.f.m.	D. E. Bell	C. A. Bleecker.
223	aNorwood	Norwood	M. on or b.f.m.	Rev. E. W. Pickford	W. E. Pakenham
224	aZurich	Hensall	M. on or b.f.m.	Geo. T. Wren	Jas. Bonthron
225	aBernard	Listowel	F. on or b.f.m.	Jos. Ainley	J. J. Foster
228	aPrince Arthur	Odessa	M. on or a.f.m.	H. W. Caton	Robt. Bennett
229	aIonic	Brampton	3rd Tuesday	J. R. Fallis	W. H. McFadden
230	aKerr	Barrie	3rd Friday	K. A. Stephens.	W. N. Duff
231	aLodge of Fidelity.	Ottawa	3rd Tuesday	John Munro	W. A. Halliday.
232	aCameron	Dutton	W. on or b.f.m.	Frank E. Price	A. Ch. McCallum.
233	aDoric	Park Hill	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. G. S. Fraser	F. T. Zapfe
234	aBeaver	Clarksburg	Tu. on or b.f.m.	Rev. E. Appleyard	J. H. Dickinson
235	aAldworth	Paisley	F. on or b.f.m.	R. B. Grant	Geo. H. Bell.
236	aManitoba	Cookstown	Tu. on or a.f.m.	Thos. McKnight	H. I. Ross
237	aVienna	Vienna	F. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Vallee	S. S. Clutton

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No. of Lodge	Initia'd	Passed.	Raised	Joined.	With-drawn.	Deaths	S. N.	P. D.	S. U. M. C.	Ex-cluded.	Rest'd.	Total M'bs	Last Returns	Paid Grand Lodge.	Ledger.	
															Dr. Bal.	Cr. Bal.
151	9	7	9	6	4	1	3					206	June, '11	156 25		
153	9	5	3		1	2	1					109	"	79 00	7 53	
154	13	11	11	4	8	1	5					82	"	64 55	8 70	
155	13	9	9	4	3	2	1				2	243	"	139 00		
156	20	23	28	3	2		3					209	"	202 75	5 50	
157	3	2	3		2		2					71	"	64 00	2 00	
158	10	5	6		1							75	"	56 40	4 50	
159	4	5	4				3					88	"	62 50		
161	7	7	6	2	2						2	80	"	75 00		
162	1	1	2									44	June, '10	24 50		11 00
164	8	12	12	3	4	2	3					129	June, '11	84 25	7 50	
165	15	14	12	6	2	1					2	137	"	94 00	2 75	
166	5	6	6	1	4	4	3					129	"	87 75	5 25	
168	9	8	6	1	2	3						127	"	84 75		
169	3	3	1	1	1	1						77	"	44 00		
170	3	1	1									106	Dec., '10	73 75	5 50	
171	6	7	6		4		5				1	38	June, '11	51 25	7 50	
172	2	2	2		1							47	Dec., '10	32 00		50
174	7	5	5	1	3		1				4	67	June, '11	59 50		50
177	12	12	10		5	2					3	227	"	82 75	73 25	
178			1		1		4					36	"	28 50		25
180	15	5	4	5							2	107	"	115 00		
181	2	1	1		1							39	Dec., '10	31 90	2 85	
184				1								99	"	53 75	4 50	
185	2	2	2		1							28	"		21 00	
186	3	4	3									52	June, '11	33 50	3 20	
190	4	5	4	1	1	1	2					74	"	48 00	4 50	
192	8	8	7	6	2	2	2				1	199	"	125 30	3 50	
193	2				1	3	5					82	"	58 30	2 00	
194	11	7	6			1					1	100	"	77 00		1 00
195	7	10	12	5	3	2						105	"	67 50	50	
196	4	6	4	2	2	3	4					112	"	93 50	4 75	
197							2					63	"	43 45		
200	5	4	4	1			1				1	74	"	89 45		25
201	6	10	10	1	2	2						165	"	97 25		50
203	6	8	5		6							8	"	69 75		3 00
205	1	3	3		1							40	"	44 00	4 00	
207	11	8	9	1		2						100	"	63 50		
209a	16	16	16	3		3	1					337	"	206 25		
209	5	4	3		4		2				1	41	"	43 75		
212	1	1									1	19	"	14 75		3 75
215	2	1	1									66	Dec., '10	51 50		25
216	5	5	6		3	3	9					160	June, '11	66 25	6 00	
217	4	2	3		2	2						64	"		66 75	
218	19	13	15	1	2	4	4				3	250	"	155 50	2 50	
219	3	2	2	1		1						95	"	94 50	1 25	
220	6	5	6	2		4	7	1			1	91	"	119 50	5 65	
221	2	4	4		3	3						133	"	93 75	4 00	
222	5	2			6	3	1				2	78	"	60 00		
223	9	7	6		5		1					95	"	75 25	2 00	
224	3	3	2		1	2	1				1	84	"	49 00	4 50	
225		4	6	2	2	1						99	Dec., '10	94 25		
228	8	8	7	1		2	1					53	June, '11	48 50		
229	10	8	4	2	1	2						116	"	93 50	4 25	
230	4	8	7	1	5	1					2	118	"	100 25		25
231	21	21	23	1	6	4	5					2 5	"	193 00	3 00	
232	4	3	3		4						1	61	Dec., '10	47 25	3 50	
233	4	5	5									5	June, '11	51 50	75	
234	1		1	1	1							78	Dec., '10	75 00	2 30	
235												65	Dec., '09	23 25		22 75
236	5	6	5	1	4	3						59	June, '11	47 25	2 00	
237	3	3	4		1	2			1			55	"	41 50		

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No. of Lodge.	Lodge.	Where Held	Night of Meeting.	W. Master.	Secretary.
238	Havelock	Watford	Tues. b.f.m.	H. K. Laird	H. R. Stuart
239	Tweed	Tweed	F. on or b.f.m.	J. J. Porritt	W. W. Garrett
242	aMacoy	Mallorytown	M. on or b.f.m.	Albert Root	R. H. McCalpine
243	aSt. George	St. George	Th. on or b.f.m.	Daniel Burt	E. G. Lawrason
245	aTecumseh	Thamesville	M. on or b.f.m.	F. J. Martin	Robt. Pye
247	aAshlar	Toronto	4th Tuesday	Geo. Barron	W. H. Best
249	aCaledonian	Midland	M. on or b.f.m.	P. C. Macdonald	A. C. Adams
250	Thistle	Embro	Th. on or b.f.m.	A. G. C. Munroe	Columbus Ross
253	aMinden	Kingston	1st Tuesday	H. B. R. Craig	T. D. Minnes
254	Clifton	Niagara Falls	1st Thursday	Ed. J. Jackson	S. D. Warren
255	Sydenham	Dresden	2nd Thursday	W. T. Jeffs	Jno. Watson
256	aFarran's Point	Aultsville	W. on or b.f.m.	W. A. Edwards	R. H. Hanes
257	aGalt	Galt	1st Tuesday	Wm. S. McKay	J. A. Carrick
258	Guelph	Guelph	2nd Tuesday	H. Harris	R. T. Powell
259	Springfield	Springfield	M. on or b.f.m.	Camby Charlton	M. M. Black
260	aWashington	Petrolia	1st Wednesday	M. Lymburner	B. Dunlop
261	aOak Branch	Innerskip	Th. on or b.f.m.	A. L. Ashton	R. Q. Irving
262	aHarriston	Harriston	2nd Monday	Allan Pattison	Rev. O. Scudamore
263	aForest	Forest	W. on or b.f.m.	J. J. Prouitt	P. W. Campbell
264	aChaudiere	Ottawa	4th Tuesday	C. H. B. Sievers	W. E. Hayes, jr.
265	Patterson	Thornhill	Th. on or b.f.m.	J. A. Thompson	J. E. Francis
266	aNorthern Light	Stayner	Tu. on or b.f.m.	D. G. Bell	H. C. Shepherd
267	Parthenon	Chatham	1st Wednesday	B. A. Oldershaw	J. W. Plewes
268	aVerulam	Bobcaygeon	F. on or b.f.m.	W. H. Hurchimer	Andrew Braden
269	aBrougham Union	Claremont	W. on or a.f.m.	David Gregg	Rev. W. R. Wood
270	aCedar	Oshawa	4th Tuesday	A. L. Argall	L. K. Murton
271	Wellington	Erin	W. on or b.f.m.	S. Milloy	T. R. Akins
272	Seymour	Ancaster	Tu. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Grundon	John Pickard
274	aKent	Blenheim	2nd Monday	M. R. Pardo	J. Crookshank
276	aTeeswater	Teeswater	4th Thursday	Jos. W. Little	R. E. Campbell
277	aSeymour	Port Dalhousie	W. on or b.f.m.	Jno. S. Bowman	John Green
279	New Hope	Hespeler	W. on or b.f.m.	Jas. Jardine	Jno. Jardine
282	Lorne	Glencoe	Th. on or b.f.m.	A. Finlayson	W. K. Foucar
283	aEureka	Belleville	W. a.f.m.	A. R. Walker	W. J. Diamond
284	St. John's	Brussels	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. W. Harris	Samuel Wilton
285	Seven Star	Alliston	W. on or a.f.m.	W. D. Allen	Jas. A. Wright
286	Wingham	Wingham	1st Tuesday	W. A. Campbell	J. A. Morton
287	aShuniah	Port Arthur	1st Tuesday	Jas. H. Woodside	W. J. Gurney
289	aDoric	Lobo	Th. on or b.f.m.	Herbert Steele	P. L. Graham, M.D.
290	aLeamington	Leamington	Tu. on or b.f.m.	R. A. Howey	W. A. Baker
291	aDufferin	W. Flamboro	Th. on or b.f.m.	J. T. Thomson	Alfred Jones
292	aRobertson	King	M. on or b.f.m.	J. A. McDonald	Geo. Stone
294	aMoore	Courtright	Th. on or b.f.m.	Chas. W. Kent	R. G. Stewart
295	aConestogo	Drayton	1st Tuesday	R. Towriss	Calvert Scarr
296	aTemple	St. Catharines	Last Wednesday	Jas. McIntosh	C. A. Brown
297	Preston	Preston	F. on or b.f.m.	H. Skipton	H. L. Clare
299	Victoria	Centreville	Th. on or b.f.m.	E. W. Lothead	Robert Cox
300	aMount Olivet	Thorndale	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. H. Salmon	J. L. Guest
302	St. David's	St. Thomas	3rd Thursday	H. E. Stevenson	F. S. Lewis
303	aBlyth	Blyth	Tu. on or a.f.m.	J. B. Tiernay	J. M. Hamilton
304	aMinerva	Stroud	Tu. on or b.f.m.	A. W. Green	Jas. Black
305	Humber	Weston	4th Friday	H. J. Alexander	C. C. Grubb
306	Durham	Durham	2nd Tuesday	Jas. R. Gun	J. A. Graham
307	aArkona	Arkona	Th. on or b.f.m.	Herbert Hall	Fred Nelson
309	aMorning Star	Carlow	W. on or b.f.m.	I. Hetherington	John Varcoe
311	aBlackwood	Woodbridge	F. on or b.f.m.	Hy. N. Schmidt	D. Norton
312	aPnyx	Wallaceburg	M. on or b.f.m.	A. M. Parker	E. E. Parker
313	aClementi	Lakefield	1st Tuesday	R. Tate	A. E. Kennedy
314	aBlair	Palmerston	Fri. after f.m.	B. Coleman	P. J. Fasken
315	Clifford	Clifford	3rd Monday	Robt. Wenger	R. R. Tough
316	aDoric	Toronto	3rd Thursday	J. H. Walterhouse	J. B. Sutherland
318	aWilmot	Baden	F. on or a.f.m.	W. Bechtel	W. Russell

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No. of Lodge	Initia'd	Passed.	Raised	Joined.	With- drawn.	Deaths	S. N. P. D.	S. U. M. O.	Ex- pelled.	Rest'd.	Total Mmb's	Last Returns	Paid Grand Lodge.	Ledger.	
														Dr.Bal.	Cr.Bal.
238	5	6	6	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	70	June, '11	40 25	6 00	...
239	5	4	3	...	2	2	2	...	...	...	110	"	105 75	...	...
242	2	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	91	"	62 25	...	...
243	6	2	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	80	"	44 75	...	...
245	4	6	5	1	2	2	1	...	...	...	67	"	82 75	5 50	...
247	18	20	15	5	7	3	...	...	...	1	373	"	251 20	...	...
249	19	16	17	9	4	...	2	...	...	...	174	"	102 25	11 75	...
250	6	5	5	7	2	...	2	...	...	2	37	"	29 75	...	...
253	8	11	8	5	3	1	2	...	...	2	179	"	98 50	1 25	...
254	9	7	7	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	197	"	127 25	...	4 50
255	4	4	4	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	83	"	56 00	17 50	...
256	1	3	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	89	Dec., '10	53 00	...	...
257	15	15	17	1	2	...	2	...	...	2	189	June, '11	136 50	...	...
258	5	5	2	...	3	2	2	...	...	2	...	"	68 00	...	1 25
259	5	4	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	61	June, '11	47 25	...	...
260	1	3	2	...	1	1	3	...	...	1	121	Dec., '10	85 25	...	1 00
261	2	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	37	June, '11	34 25	...	1 00
262	5	4	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	99	"	63 75	3 00	...
263	3	1	1	1	6	2	...	...	...	...	85	"	93 50	4 50	...
264	21	18	17	2	1	6	7	...	...	...	239	"	186 00	74 00	...
265	4	4	4	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	60	"	65 50	4 50	...
266	1	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	78	Dec., '10	50 50	2 00	...
267	16	14	10	5	3	1	10	...	...	...	195	"	161 00	...	2 00
268	2	2	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	66	"	50 50	...	...
269	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	69	"	71 45	...	18 90
270	8	11	6	1	1	1	...	...	...	2	112	June, '11	97 00	...	25
271	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	75	"	62 05	5 00	...
272	7	5	5	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	126	"	77 25	...	...
274	10	11	11	5	...	...	...	...	...	2	126	"	104 25	1 00	...
276	4	4	2	1	5	1	13	...	...	...	36	Dec., '10	22 75	12 00	...
277	9	8	8	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	62	June, '11	45 00	...	...
279	6	7	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	85	"	62 75	4 50	50
282	6	6	6	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	77	"	42 50	8 50	...
283	8	7	7	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	109	"	73 25	...	...
284	4	4	3	...	2	4	...	...	...	...	84	"	64 50	2 00	...
285	4	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	84	"	53 50	...	...
286	5	5	8	...	3	1	...	...	...	2	91	"	57 50	25	...
287	23	20	24	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	248	"	187 25	1 00	...
289	7	4	4	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	50	"	34 00	4 50	...
290	3	2	3	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	134	"	79 00	5 00	...
291	3	3	2	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	93	Dec., '10	64 50	2 00	...
292	3	3	2	...	...	3	1	...	...	1	46	June, '11	22 50	5 00	...
294	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	53	Dec., '10	46 25	5 00	...
295	3	3	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	59	"	63 25	6 25	...
296	8	9	4	6	1	2	2	...	...	...	102	June, '11	67 75	...	...
297	2	1	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	72	Dec., '10	55 25	25	...
299	1	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	49	"	43 50	2 50	...
300	3	6	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	55	June, '11	37 75	27 00	...
302	16	18	15	1	3	4	5	...	...	1	251	"	288 00	...	75
303	5	6	7	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	64	"	50 25	...	50
304	10	8	6	...	2	2	4	...	...	...	89	"	81 00	...	...
305	4	2	2	8	1	...	...	...	...	...	84	"	62 30	75	...
306	2	3	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	62	"	42 30	...	...
307	2	5	5	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	42	"	41 75	4 50	...
309	8	8	8	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	51	"	53 00	3 75	...
311	5	8	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	69	Dec., '10	65 25	5 50	...
312	4	4	3	1	3	3	1	...	...	...	96	"	67 00	...	...
313	12	8	7	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	101	June, '11	81 25	...	...
314	4	6	5	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	94	"	62 50	...	...
315	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	64	"	51 00	...	50
316	29	30	32	7	8	7	9	...	...	...	380	Dec., '10	282 25	1 00	...
318	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	June, '11	24 25	2 50	...

Returns of Lodges at June 24, 1911

No. of Lodge.	Lodges.	Where Held	Night of Meeting.	W. Master.	Secretary.
319	aHiram	Hagersville	Th. on or b.f.m.	H. L. Selby	H. A. McDonald
320	aChester ville	Chester ville	M. on or b.f.m.	O. D. Casselman	Rev. S. A. Woods
321	aWalker	Acton West	M. on or b.f.m.	G. J. Wallace	R. M. McDonald
322	aNorth Star	Owen Sound	W. a.f.m.	Jes. Leslie	A. A. Parks
323	aAlvinston	Alvinston	W. on or b.f.m.	P. P. Winn	W. E. Germain
324	aTemple	Hamilton	2nd Tuesday	F. H. Nairn	Thos. Pedler
325	aOrono	Orono	Th. on or b.f.m.	Wm. G. Rundle	Thos. Smith
326	aZetland	Toronto	4th Friday	F. J. Kennedy	J. H. Macabe
327	The Hammond	Wardsville	Tu. on or b.f.m.	C.C. McNaughton	H. A. Wilson
328	aIonic	Napier	F. on or b.f.m.	Rev. C.F. Clarke	W. L. Toohill
329	aKing Solomon	Jarvis	F. on or b.f.m.	Wm. H. Miller	Jas. Noble
330	aCorinthian	London East	1st Tuesday	W. A. Hunter	H. C. Simpson
331	aFordwich	Fordwich	Th. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Jameson	A. C. Hutchison
332	aStratford	Stratford	2nd Monday	Fred J. Killer	F. J. Scarff
333	aPrince Arthur	Flesherton	F. on or b.f.m.	J. P. Otterwell	Thos. Clayton
334	aPrince Arthur	Arthur	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. G. Gowett	Peter Greig, jr.
336	aHighgate	Highgate	F. on or b.f.m.	E. C. Bury	Geo. F. Reycraft
337	aMyrtle	Port Robinson	Tu. on or b.f.m.	Samuel Hill	Wm. Grisdale
338	aDufferin	Wellandport	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. T. Thompson	Jas. R. Goring
339	aOrient	Toronto	1st Tuesday	Wm. Gillespie	F. H. Anderson
341	aBruce	Tiverton	Tu. on or b.f.m.	L. McLean	D. A. McLaren
343	aGeorgina	Toronto	1st Saturday	J. W. Gale	Geo. Thompson
344	aMerrill	Dorchester St'n	Th. on or b.f.m.	C. H. Smuck	Chas. A. Hunt
345	aNilestown	Nilestown	Tu. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Jackson	A. O. Barrow
346	aOccident	Toronto	3rd Wednesday	W. R. Hardy	C. C. Wightman
347	aMercer	Fergus	1st Friday	P. Perry	J. V. Watkins
348	aGeorgian	Penetan'sh'ne	1st Thursday	R. D. Keefe	W. H. Hewson
352	aGranite	Parry Sound	3rd Wednesday	Geo. Molyneux	J. H. Knifton
354	aBrock	Cannington	W. on or b.f.m.	Geo. W. Cole	J. A. Kift
356	aRiver Park	Streetsville	1st Tuesday	W. M. Oliver	J. T. Bowie
357	aWaterdown	Millgrove	Tu. on or b.f.m.	John I. Flatt	R. Flatt
358	aDelaware Valley	Delaware	F. on or b.f.m.	D. C. Brown	Wm. Harker
359	aVittoria	Vittoria	F. on or b.f.m.	J. H. Lawrence	John Pow
360	aMuskoka	Bracebridge	1st Tuesday	W. S. Ferguson	F. P. Warne
361	aWaverley	Guelph	4th Monday	J. A. Hewitt	W. Simpson
362	aMaple Leaf	Tara	M. on or b.f.m.	M.A.V. Armstrong	L. G. Briggs
364	aDufferin	Melbourne	W. on or b.f.m.	Isaac Stevenson	J.E. Drinkwater
367	aSt. George	Toronto	1st Friday	J. T. T. Barker	R. C. Gallaher
368	aSalem	Brockville	2nd Monday	H. W. Bruce	E. A. Geiger
369	aMimico	Lambton Mills	Tu. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Black	C. Silverthorn
370	aHarmony	Delta	W. on or b.f.m.	W. C. Johnson	J. W. Russell
371	aPrince of Wales	Ottawa	4th Friday	F. W. Day	R. Ade Olloqui
372	aPalmer	Bridgeburg	1st Tuesday	C. D. Hawkins	J. G. Watts
373	aCopestone	Welland	1st Thursday	A. N. Tattersall	Thos. Main
374	aKeene	Keene	Th. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Robertson	A. D. Anderson
375	aLorne	Omeme	1st Monday	N. H. Sutton	W. J. Thorn
376	aUnity	Huntsville	2nd Wednesday	J. W. Whit	D. M. Grant
377	aLorne	Shelburne	1st Friday	E. A. Williams	W. H. Calhoun
378	aKing Solomon's	London West	2nd Thursday	T. Wedderburn	Wm. Nicholls
379	aMiddlesex	Bryanston	W. on or b.f.m.	R. G. Fraser	Alex. Grant
380	aUnion	London	2nd Monday	B. Brighton	Jos. Ward
382	aDoric	Hamilton	3rd Monday	Geo. Cheyne	O. V. Emory, M.D.
383	aHenderson	W. Winchester	F. on or b.f.m.	J. D. Stewart	Geo. Johnson
384	aAlpha	Toronto	1st Thursday	W. R. Ledger	E. J. Voss
385	aSpry	Beeton	M. on or b.f.m.	Cyrus Dunham	D. S. Morrow
386	aMcColl	West Lorne	Tu. on or b.f.m.	J. M. Kelly	A. Petherick
387	aLansdowne	Lansdowne	Th. on or b.f.m.	D. A. Haig	E. R. Bradley
388	aHenderson	Ilderton	M. on or b.f.m.	Ernest Robson	Jos. H. Robson
389	aCrystal Fountain	N. Augusta	W. on or b.f.m.	W. H. Murphy	J. B. Checkley
390	aFlorence	Florence	F. on or b.f.m.	Jas. Beatty	W. J. Drew
391	aHoward	Ridgetown	M. on or b.f.m.	Jas. R. Sesson	W. H. Ellsworth
392	aHuron	Camlachie	W. on or b.f.m.	E. R. Wilkie	A. Trusler

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														Dr. Bal.	Cr. Bal.
319	5	4	1	1	2	1					80	June, '11	47 25	6 00	
320	5	7	8	2						1	81	"	66 25		
321	8	7	2								69	"	95 25	5 75	
322	8	8	1	2	3	2					167	Dec., '10	137 80		
323	1	1	1			1	1				61	"	43 25	1 50	
324	36	37	37	6	4	5	9				385	June, '11	284 50	6 50	
325	3	1	3	1							46	Dec., '11	44 75		
326	14	13	18	6	2	4	2			1	448	June, '11	310 80		
327	2	2	1								29	"	20 00	4 70	
328	3	2	2			2					44	"	27 30	14 50	
329	1	1	3		2						66	"	50 00		
330	19	19	19	1	1	5	4				189	"	135 10	45	
331	1	1	3		1		1				42	"	33 40		
332	5	6	8			2				2	166	"	121 25		2 00
333	5	4	2	1							60	"	47 75	2 00	
334	4	2	2		1	1	1				52	"	36 35	25	
336	1		1								60	Dec., '10	53 50	7 25	
337	2	1	1		1						52	June, '10	29 75		
338	10	6	4							1	81	"	22 00	60 75	
339	19	18	18	1	4	5				4	329	"	244 00		
341	12	9	9		1						63	"	47 75	29 00	
343	21	26	21	3	7	3	4				326	"	229 75		
344	4	2	1		2						50	"	34 50	4 25	
345	6	7	4		1	1				1	64	"	41 75	4 50	
346	26	26	19	4	1	5	5			2	312	"	262 50	1 75	
347	4	4	4	2							67	"	43 75	6 00	
348	8	7	4		3	1	4			1	81	Dec., '10	57 00		
352	13	7	8		1	1				1	128	June, '11	111 75		
354	4	4	5	1	1	2	7				62	"	38 75	5 00	
356	2	1	1	1	1	1					60	Dec., '10	46 25	15 00	
357	11	13	9		1	2					110	June, '11	98 70		
358	4	4	4	1	4					4	63	"	74 25	5 50	
359	6	5	4								5	"	36 50	4 50	
360	3	4	3		1						80	"	54 50		50
361	17	12	10		2	1					172	"	124 00	3 50	
362	3	2	7		4	1					55	"	47 00	3 70	
364											47	June, '10		33 00	
367	24	21	18	3		5	4			1	364	June, '11	256 20		
368	11	10	11	5	2	3	7				187	"	133 25		
369	11	2	4	3	4	2				1	118	"	72 00	6 25	
370	6	4	4		3	2					73	"	47 50	2 00	
371	1	5	4								145	Dec., '10	102 00		
372	10	9	9	1		3					98	June, '11	95 00		
373	21	19	18	3	2		4			1	113	"	94 75		
374		1	1			1					33	"	17 00		
375	7	7	4								45	"	29 00		
376	3	2		2	1	1				2	103	"	52 75		
377	3	3	3			1					85	"	66 25	6 50	
378	15	15	15	5			4				184	"	142 75	1 75	
379	2	3	4		1					1	43	"	21 00	4 50	
380	12	13	13	1	2	3	5			3	230	"	162 75		
382	20	26	16	5	1	6	4			1	351	"	221 25	3 00	
383		1	2			1	1			1	95	Dec., '10	75 00		1 20
384	58	51	51	22	5	9	2	1			423	June, '11	366 00	1 25	
385	2	2	4	2	6	1	1				81	"	55 50	8 00	
386	3	3	3				3				88	"	60 50	6 00	
387	3	1									53	"	32 25		
388											39	June, '10	55 25	4 50	
389					1	1					61	Dec., '09	20 50		
390	2	2	2		2	1					38	June, '11	22 50	4 50	
391	3	3	3	2	2						87	Dec., '10	53 25	5 75	
392	3	3	3			1	1				74	June, '11	50 25		25

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No. of Lodge.	Lodge.	Where Held	Night of Meeting.	W. Master.	Secretary.
393	Forest	Chesley	Tu. on or b.f.m.	Geo. D. Lamont.	J. J. Neelin
394	King Solomon	Thamesford	W. on or b.f.m.	H. S. Eyre	J. A. McDonald
395	Parvaim	Comber	F. on or b.f.m.	I. McDougall	W. G. Campbell
396	aCedar	Warton	Tu. on or b.f.m.	E. E. Trout	R. G. Scott
397	aLeopold	Brigden	W. on or b.f.m.	Jas. McDonald	Duncan Warren
398	Victoria	Kirkfield	F. on or b.f.m.	R.A.E. Oliphant.	E. Mosgrove
399	Moffat	Harrietsville	W. on or b.f.m.	Alex. McVicar	S. E. Facey
400	aOakville	Oakville	1st Tuesday	I. B.W. Broughall	C. A. Bradbury
401	aCraig	Deseronto	1st Tuesday	Rcbr. Geddes	A. C. Wilkin
402	Central	Essex	W. on or b.f.m.	W. C. Doyle	R. J. Shaw
403	aWindsor	Windsor	1st Friday	A. C. Welsh	A. N. Pettit
404	aLorne	Tamworth	F. on or b.f.m.	H.W. Wilson, M.D.	J. Aylesworth
405	Mattawa	Mattawa	1st Tuesday	A. Borrowman	S. G. Richardson
406	aSpry	Fenelon Falls	W. on or b.f.m.	H. J. Townley	E. Fitzgerald
408	Murray	Beaverton	Tu. on or b.f.m.	David Walls	P. E. Byrne
409	aGolden Rule	Gravenhurst	2nd Monday	W. F. Wasley	J. C. Davidson
410	aZeta	Toronto	4th Friday	Wm. Anderson	A. E. Faulds
411	aRodney	Rodney	W. on or b.f.m.	J. A. McLean	D. W. Graham
412	aKeystone	S. St. Marie	1st Tuesday	I. S. Durham	R. G. Campbell
413	aNaphtali	Til'by Centre	Tu. on or b.f.m.	John Jardine	H. Callwood
414	aPenguin	Kenora	1st Wednesday	A. S. McDonald	Jos. L. Palmer
415	aFort William	Fort William	2nd Wednesday	John McLure	Geo. H. Cook
416	Lyn	Lyn	Tu. on or b.f.m.	T. A. Smith	A. E. Cumming
417	aKeewatin	Keewatin Mills	1st Friday	C. L. Galloway	A. J. Holmes
418	aMaxville	Maxville	2nd Tuesday	Peter Munro	R. R. Hunter
419	aBismarck	Point Edward	2nd Monday	W.J. McCormack	D. Burgess
420	Nipissing	North Bay	2nd Monday	Fred Milne	J. B. Willis
421	aScott	Grand Valley	M. on or b.f.m.	T. J. Reith	Wm. McIntyre
422	Star of the East	Bothwell	W. on or b.f.m.	W. H. Bradley	L. G. Crouch
423	aStrong	Sundridge	3rd Monday	H. May	T. A. Wickett
424	aDoric	Pickering	Th. on or b.f.m.	M. S. Chapman	A. Chrysler
425	aSt. Clair	Sombra	Tu. on or b.f.m.	G. W. Smith	J. W. Burnham
426	aStanley	Toronto	1st Tuesday	Ed. Irvine	Wm. Harris
427	aNickel	Sudbury	1st Wednesday	A. D. Meldrum	Jos. Fowler
428	Fidelity	Port Perry	F. on or b.f.m.	A. S. Ebbels	W. S. Short
429	aPort Elgin	Port Elgin	Th. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Pattison	J. W. Dougherty
430	aAcacia	Toronto	3rd Monday	J. W. Prestwick	R. G. Allan
431	Moravian	Cargill	F. on or a.f.m.	W. J. Loughleen	P. J. Hynes
432	aHanover	Hanover	F. on or b.f.m.	Jas. A. Magee	Chas. Coppinger
433	aBonnechere	Eganville	2nd Monday	Geo. Morlok	Jas. Reeves
434	aAlgonquin	Emsdale	Tu. on or a.f.m.	J. F. McDonald	J. H. Metcalfe
435	aHavelock	Havelock	F. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Mathison	W. Patterson
436	aBurns	Hepworth	Tu. on or a.f.m.	Alex. Reid	J.A. Cruickshank
437	aTuscan	Sarnia	3rd Wednesday	Jas. McIlhagga	John Boyd
438	aHarmony	Toronto	4th Monday	T. M. Kinsman	W. T. Martin
439	aAlexandria	Alexandria	1st Tuesday	John A. Gray	Geo. Bradley
440	Arcadia	Minden	F. on or b.f.m.	W. J. Hartle	Rev. J.M. Whyte
441	Westport	Westport	1st Friday	J.C. McCullough	J. R. Gorrell
442	aDymont	Thessalon	Th. on or b.f.m.	Jas. Gascoigne	Rcbr. Mavor
443	aPowassan	Powassan	2nd Friday	Jas. Arthurs	D. C. Bingham
444	aNitetis	Creemore	Tu. on or a.f.m.	W. A. Helmkey	H. M. Corbett
445	aLake of the Woods	Kenora	2nd Wednesday	Geo. A. Toole	J. A. Kinney
446	aGranite	Fort Frances	1st Tuesday	F. H. Warner	H. W. Hollands
447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	2nd Monday	L. J. Gilliland	A. W. Smith
448	Xenophon	Wheatley	Tu. on or b.f.m.	A. M. Wilson	D. G. Scott
449	aDundalk	Dundalk	M. on or b.f.m.	A. E. Colgan	E. Mountcastle
450	aHawkesbury	Hawkesbury	Thursday b.f.m.	H. H. Kirby	Hugh L. Tweed
451	aSomerville	Kinmount	Th. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Horton	E. A. Wellstood
452	aAvonmore	Avonmore	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. G. Reaburn	S. Shaver
453	Royal	Fort William	1st Wednesday	H. S. Lewis	F. C. Perry
454	aCorona	Burk's Falls	1st Monday	J. J. Wilson	J. W. Harris
455	Doric	Little Current	Tu. on or b.f.m.	R. M. Henning	J. B. Wallace

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														Dr. Bal.	Cr. Bal.
393	4	3	5	2	2	1	1				56	June, '11	46 25		75
394	3	2	2	1	1	1	1				73	" "	51 25	4 50	
395	6	5	4	1	1	1	2				61	" "	48 75	4 50	
396	10	6	6	1	3	1					118	Dec., '10	105 50	1 00	
397	5	9	8	1	5	1	8				6	" "	53 00		
398	3	7	7		2	1	3				33	June, '11	92 00	3 00	
399							2				46	" "	35 00	3 50	
400	6	6	6	1	1	2	1				139	" "	88 25	5 50	
401	10	9	12		2	1	1				94	" "	94 00	4 50	
402	8	6	6	1	3						71	" "	49 00	4 50	
403	18	18	15	9	4	2	2				298	" "	212 50	6 00	
404	1	1	2		1		1				71	Dec., '10	46 35	4 50	
405	9	6	5								106	June, '11	69 35	1 00	
406	2	1	1		5	1	1			1	70	" "	46 25		
408											56	June, '10	28 00	6 00	
409	10	11	9	1	1	1	4				90	June, '11	68 75		1 50
410	29	30	22	5	3	6	2				290	" "	213 50	5 50	
411											46	June, '10	31 50	2 50	
412	25	12	9	9	2	3	3			1	291	June, '11	167 75	14 80	
413	4	5	9		1		6				86	" "	306 50	4 50	
414	18	13	14	1	6		7			2	179	" "	123 75	4 50	
415	25	25	25	8	4	2	10				191	Dec., '10	200 25		1 50
416					1						44	June, '11	22 25		
417	6	5	5		1		1				76	" "	56 00	1 00	
418	6	5	4	1	4	1					82	" "	52 25		
419	1	2	2	1	2	1					74	" "	43 50	4 50	
420	13	14	15	7			5				209	" "	155 50	4 50	
421	8	4	4	2	2						84	" "	61 85		
422	4	2	6		2	1					57	" "	44 25	4 50	
423	6	6	4		3		5			1	8	" "	52 50		
424	3	3	4	1			1			1	46	" "	44 20	4 50	
425	18	14	11	1	2	1	2				88	" "	52 25	4 50	
426	26	27	24	2	4	1					314	" "	262 25	4 50	
427	17	9	5	5	3	2					179	" "	100 50		
428	3	8	9		3	1					117	" "	95 25	2 50	
429	7	5	3		5	1	1				61	Dec., '10	39 50	5 75	
430	18	14	12	1	2	4	7			1	155	June, '11	129 75		4 50
431	3	5	6		4	1	1				41	" "	43 50		
432	5	3	3		3					1	58	" "	39 50		
433						1					61	Dec., '10	40 75		
434	9	11	9	1			10				31	June, '11	113 75	4 50	
435	11	15	11	2	3	1					104	Dec., '10	82 00		
436	2	2	2		1		1				30	June, '11	7 25	10 25	
437	15	13	12	1		2	1			3	170	" "	119 50	3 00	
438	26	27	28	4	10	2	4				382	" "	271 50	2 00	
439	2	3	3	2	12	1					68	" "	46 75		
440	3	5	3		3						57	" "	33 50	3 00	
441	6	4	3		3						54	" "	44 50		2 50
442	5	12	12		5	2	4				50	" "	60 75		4 00
443		1	3								68	Dec., '10	48 50		
444	11	12	12	1	4						72	June, '11	61 25	7 50	
445		2	2		1						8	Dec., '10	12 00	22 75	
446	5	1	2	1				1			84	" "	70 00	4 50	
447	8	8	7	3	6					1	70	June, '11	65 00		
448	6	7	6	2	3	1	4				45	June, '10	42 00	7 50	
449	2	3	2								43	June, '11	27 00	4 50	
450	6	5	3	2	2		10			2	56	" "	35 25	1 50	
451	3	1	5	8	2	1	5			2	56	" "	34 25		
452	6	5	4		2	2				1	53	" "	31 75		1 00
453	11	10	16	1	1	1					126	" "	156 00	1 50	
454	3	4	5	2	1					1	57	" "	53 75		3 80
455	6	8	7	3	5						82	" "	58 50		

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456	Elma	Monkton	Th. on or b.f.m.	G. A. Golightly.	M. T. McGregor.
457	Century	Merlin	1st Monday	Chas. A. Smith.	Nelson Doyle
458	aWales	Wales	M. on or b.f.m.	A. O. Adams	F. Warren
459	aCobden	Cobden	2nd Tuesday	H. M. Shields	Rev. T. Goodwill
460	Rideau	Seeley's Bay	Th. or or b.f.m.	Geo. Gardiner	C. C. Gilbert
461	aTonic	Rainy River	1st Thursday	R. W. Race	D. K. McGregor
462	Temiscaming	New Liskeard	3rd Thursday	A. A. McKelvie.	T. Armstrong
463	aNorth Entrance	Haliburton	4th Friday	J. S. Soady	H. H. Clark
464	King Edward	Sunderland	F on or b.f.m.	J. H. Oliver	A. W. Hamilton
465	Carleton	Carp	F on or b.f.m.	R. H. McElroy.	Geo. A. Moore
466	aCoronation	Elmvale	1st Friday	J. L. Thompson.	W. A. Sneath
467	Tottenham	Tottenham	F on or b.f.m.	Jos. Pierson	J. H. Lowery
468	Peel	Caledon East	F on or b.f.m.	John Graham	J. W. Phillips.
469	aAlgora	S. St. Marie	2nd Monday	H. S. Hamill	R. G. Campbell.
470	Victoria	Vic. Harbor	W. on or b.f.m.	R. J. Neilly	Osborne Smith
471	aKing Edward VII	Chippawa	1st Wednesday	Geo. J. Moyer	F. W. Breckon.
472	aGore Bay	Gore Bay	1st Wednesday	J. H. Biehl	W. F. McRae
473	aThe Beaches	Toronto	2nd Friday	W. E. Nugent	S. J. Manchester
474	Victoria	Toronto	3rd Tuesday	W. E. Birrell	A. Chisholm
475	Dundurn	Hamilton	3rd Saturday	E. H. Hooper	Geo. H. Lanigan
476	aCorinthian	North Gower	F on or b.f.m.	W. Pettapiece	J. C. McNiece
477	aHarding	Woodville	F on or a.f.m.	J. J. Ruan	A. E. Staback.
478	aMilverton	Milverton	M. on or b.f.m.	Edgar Siegner.	W. J. Zoeger
479	aRussell	Russell	M. on or a.f.m.	W. J. Lowrie	W. H. Lowrie
480	aWilliamsburg	N. Wmsburg.	Th. on or b.f.m.	O. P. Becker	J. A. Barkley
481	aCorinthian	Toronto	2nd Thursday	J. M. Downer	C. H. Corton
482	aBancroft	Bancroft	F on or b.f.m.	D. H. Morrison	J. A. Eby
483	aGranton	Granton	M. on or b.f.m.	Chas. A. Lang	Oscar K. Lang
484	aGolden Star	Dryden	2nd Tuesday	J. A. McPhail	Chas. A. Taylor.
485	aHaileybury	Haileybury	1st Thursday	J. I. Rankin	R. W. Douglas
486	aSilver	Cobalt	F. on or b.f.m.	W. E. T. Barton	F. D. Reid
487	Penewobikong	Blind River	2nd Monday	O. H. Hewitt	F. G. W. Brathwte
488	aKing Edward	Harrow	Th. on or b.f.m.	G. A. Hassard	G. E. Johnston
489	aOsiris	Smith's Falls	Friday a.f.m.	J. F. O'Brien	H. A. Ross
490	Hiram	Markdale	Tu. on or b.f.m.	R. W. Ennis	J. A. McArthur.
491	Cardinal	Cardinal	2nd Friday	R. C. Mankin	Wm. Clark
492	Karnak	Coldwater	Th. on or b.f.m.	Chas. Simons	W. J. Sheppard, jr.
493	St. Mary's	St. Mary's	4th Monday	John Pool	A. B. Carman
494	Riverdale	Toronto	4th Friday	L. A. Willson	F. W. Moody
495	Electric	Hamilton	3rd Wednesday	F. J. Miller	W. F. Montague
496	University	Toronto	3rd Wednesday	Rev. T. Jakin	A. D. LePan
497	St. Andrew's	Arden	Tu. on or b.f.m.	W. Brown	Thos. Andrew
498	King George	Coboconk	M. on or b.f.m.	A. B. Chalee	T. C. Birchard.

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														Dr.Bal.	Cr.Bal.
456	5	5	5								51	June, '11	41 50		
457	2	2	1		1	1					32	Dec., '10	25 00	6 50	
458	8	6	6								75	June, '11	37 50	4 50	
459	12	10	12		3	1					0		44 25	6 00	
460	11	10	6		4						65	Dec., '10	71 25		
461	3	3	2		1	3					85		35 15	1 00	
462	7	10	4	3	2	3					145		129 25	25	
463	1				2		1			1	4	June, '11	29 75	4 50	
464	17	13	10								72		70 25		
465	6	2	1								58		29 25		
466	5	5	4		4	1					67		53 00		
467	2	2	2								54	Dec., '10	71 05	1 50	
468	3	3	3		3	1	1				52	June, '11	37 20	5 57	
469	9	7	5	1			3				111		85 75		
470	6	6	7	2	4						90		77 75	4 50	
471	3	3	2			2					47	Dec., '10	36 00	4 50	
472	1	2	2		3						64		60 00	2 00	
473	14	13	12	7	5		2				165	June, '11	129 75	6 50	
474	28	26	6	1	2	1				1	173		139 50		
475	20	17	15		1	2	1			1	132		122 35		
476	2	2									55		30 75	4 50	
477	6	5	4	1		1					53		26 75		
478	14	9	8	1			1				57		58 75		
479	6	5	4		1						64		68 00	4 50	
480	4	4			1	2					33		31 50		
481	10	11	10		1	1	5				91		70 75	1 75	
482	12	9	8	1	2		2				72		75 00	7 75	
483	3	3	5								31		35 50	3 00	
484	18	16	15	3	1	3	9				85		83 25	4 75	
485	15	14	18	6	3						134		151 50		
486	10	5	2			1					119	Dec., '10	150 50	4 25	
487	13	8	7							1	56	June, '11	43 50	6 00	
488	6	7	4								52	Dec., '10	52 50	5 50	
489	7	7	9	5	3		1				59	June, '11	55 00		
490	3	4	3	1							26		21 00		
491	7	9	7	1	1						43		52 25	7 50	
492	8	7	6								44		62 55		
493	6	6	6	1	1	1					56		211 50		
494	73	77	79	4	2						156		252 35	12 00	
495	28	25	31	5	2						94		145 50	3 00	
496	6	3	6								85	Dec., '10	76 75	50	
497	1	1	1								23	June, '11	18 00	1 50	
498	12	7	8	1	1	1					26		57 00		

3327 3163 2906 673 777 542 606 6 1 186 48394

Total receipts from lodge \$36,596 73
 Sundries 762 95
 Interest 5,074 13
 Debentures redeemed 21,595 39

\$63,979 20

LIST OF LODGES—BY DISTRICTS.

Erie District, No. 1. (25.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. B. S. Sheldon, Kingsville.

No. 34, Thistle	Amherstburg	No. 386, McColl	West Lorne
" 41, St. George	Kingsville	" 390, Florence	Florence
" 46, Wellington	Chatham	" 391, Howard	Ridgetown
" 47, Great Western	Windsor	" 395, Parvaim	Comber
" 245, Tecumseh	Thamesville	" 402, Central	Essex
" 255, Sydenham	Dresden	" 403, Windsor	Windsor
" 267, Parthenon	Chatham	" 411, Rodney	Rodney
" 274, Kent	Blenheim	" 413, Naphtali	Tilbury Centre
" 282, Lorne	Glencoe	" 422, Star of the East	Bothwell
" 290, Leamington	Leamington	" 448, Xenophon	Wheatley
" 312, Pynx	Wallaceburg	" 457, Century	Merlin
" 327, The Hammond	Wardsville	" 488, King Edward	Harrow
" 336, Highgate	Highgate		

St. Clair District, No. 2. (20.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. J. W. McDonald, Seckerton.

No. 56, Victoria	Sarnia	No. 294, Moore	Courtright
" 81, St. John's	Mt. Brydges	" 307, Arkona	Arkona
" 83, Beaver	Strathroy	" 323, Alvinston	Alvinston
" 116, Cassia	Thedford	" 328, Ionic	Napier
" 153, Burns	Wyoming	" 364, Dufferin	Melbourne
" 158, Alexandra	Oil Springs	" 392, Huron	Camlachie
" 194, Petrolia	Petrolia	" 397, Leopold	Brigden
" 238, Havelock	Watford	" 419, Bismarck	Point Edward
" 260, Washington	Petrolia	" 425, St. Clair	Sombra
" 263, Forest	Forest	" 437, Tuscan	Sarnia

London District, No. 3. (26.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. J. H. Wilson, London.

No. 20, St. John's	London	No. 289, Doric	Lobo
" 42, St. George's	London	" 300, Mount Olivet,	Thorndale
" 44, St. Thomas	St. Thomas	" 302, St. David's	St. Thomas
" 64, Kilwinning	London	" 330, Corinthian	London East
" 94, St. Mark's	Port Stanley	" 344, Merrill Dorchester Station	
" 107, St. Paul's	Lambeth	" 345, Nilestown	Nilestown
" 120, Warren	Fingal	" 358, Delaware Valley Delaware	
" 140, Malahide	Aylmer	" 378, King Solomon's London W.	
" 171, Prince of Wales	Lawrence	" 379, Middlesex	Bryanston
" 190, Belmont	Belmont	" 380, Union	London
" 195, Tuscan	London	" 388, Henderson	Ilderton
" 209a, St. John's	London	" 394, King Solomon Thamesford	
" 232, Cameron	Dutton	" 399, Moffat	Harrietsville

South Huron District, No. 4. (19.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. S. J. Mallion, Stratford.

No. 33, Maitland	Goderich	No. 224, Zurich	Hensall
" 73, St. James'	St. Mary's	" 233, Doric	Parkhill
" 84, Clinton	Clinton	" 303, Blyth	Blyth
" 133, Lebanon Forest	Exeter	" 309, Morning Star	Carlow
" 141, Tudor	Mitchell	" 318, Wilmot	Baden
" 144, Tecumseh	Stratford	" 332, Stratford	Stratford
" 154, Irving	Lucan	" 456, Elma	Monkton
" 170, Britannia	Seaforth	" 478, Milverton	Milverton
" 205, New Domini'n N. Hamburg		" 483, Granton	Granton
		" 493, St. Mary's	St. Mary's

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North Huron District, No. 5. (19.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. W. T. Ross, Chesley

No. 93, North'n Light, Kincardine	No. 331, Fordwich Fordwich
" 131, St. Lawrence Southampton	" 341, Bruce Tiverton
" 162, Forest Wroxeter	" 362, Maple Leaf Tara
" 184, Old Light Lucknow	" 393, Forest Chesley
" 197, Saugeen Walkerton	" 396, Cedar Wiarton
" 223, Bernard Listowel	" 429, Port Elgin Port Elgin
" 235, Aldworth Paisley	" 431, Moravian Cargill
" 276, Teeswater Teeswater	" 432, Hanover Hanover
" 284, St. John's Brussels	" 436, Burns Hepworth
" 286, Wingham Wingham	

Wilson District, No. 6. (22.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. C. G. Hulet, Norwich.

No. 10, Norfolk Simcoe	No. 149, Erie Port Dover
" 37, King Hiram Ingersoll	" 174, Walsingham .. Port Rowan
" 43, King Solomon .. Woodstock	" 178, Plattsville Plattsville
" 68, St. John's Ingersoll	" 181, Oriental Port Burwell
" 76, Oxford Woodstock	" 193, Scotland Scotland
" 78, King Hiram .. Tillsonburg	" 217, Frederick Delhi
" 82, St. John's Paris	" 237, Vienna Vienna
" 104, St. John's Norwich	" 250, Thistle Embro
" 106, Burford Burford	" 259, Springfield .. Springfield
" 108, Blenheim Princeton	" 261, Oak Branch Innerkip
" 113, Wilson Waterford	" 359, Vittoria Vittoria

Wellington District, No. 7. (21)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. B. W. Zieman, Preston.

No. 72, Alma Galt	No. 279, New Hope Hespeler
" 151, The Grand River .. Berlin	" 295, Conestogo Drayton
" 172, Ayr Ayr	" 297, Preston Preston
" 180, Speed Guelph	" 306, Durham Durham
" 200, St. Alban's Mt. Forest	" 314, Blair Palmerston
" 203, Irvine Elora	" 315, Clifford Clifford
" 216, Harris Orangeville	" 334, Prince Arthur Arthur
" 257, Galt Galt	" 347, Mercer Fergus
" 258, Guelph Guelph	" 361, Waverly Guelph
" 262, Harriston Harriston	" 421, Scott Grand Valley
" 271, Wellington Erin	

Hamilton District, No. 8. (23.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. B. E. Thompson, M.D., Stoney Creek.

No. 6, The Barton Hamilton	No. 166, Wentworth .. Stoney Creek
" 27, Strict Observ'nce Hamilton	" 219, Credit Georgetown
" 40, St. John's Hamilton	" 243, St. George St. George
" 45, Brant Brantford	" 272, Seymour Ancaster
" 57, Harmony Binbrook	" 291, Dufferin .. West Flamboro
" 61, Acacia Hamilton	" 321, Walker ActonWest
" 62, St. Andrew's .. Caledonia	" 324, Temple Hamilton
" 100, Valley Dundas	" 357, Waterdown .. Millgrove
" 121, Doric Brantford	" 382, Doric Hamilton
" 135, St. Clair Milton	" 400, Oakville Oakville
" 165, Burlington .. Burlington	" 475, Dundurn Hamilton
	" 495, Electric Hamilton

Georgian District, No 9. (25.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Geo. Menzies, Owen Sound.

No. 79, Simcoe Bradford	No. 304, Minerva Stroud
" 88, St. George's .. Owen Sound	" 322, North Star .. Owen Sound
" 90, Manito Collingwood	" 333, Prince Arthur .. Flesherton
" 96, Corinthian Barrie	" 348, Georgian Penetanguishene
" 137, Pythagoras Meaford	" 377, Lorne Shelburne
" 192, Orillia Orillia	" 385, Spry Beeton
" 230, Kerr Barrie	" 444, Nitetis Creemore
" 234, Beaver Clarksburg	" 449, Dundalk Dundalk
" 236, Manitoba Cookstown	" 466, Coronation Elmvale
" 249, Caledonian Midland	" 467, Tottenham .. Tottenham
" 266, Northern Light .. Stayner	" 470, Victoria .. Victoria Harbor
" 285, Seven Star Alliston	" 490, Hiram Markdale
	" 492, Karnak Coldwater

Niagara District, No. 10. (22).

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. R. J. Gracey, Wellandport.

No. 2, Niagara Niagara	No. 221, Mountain Thorold
" 7, Union Grimsby	" 254, Clifton Niagara Falls
" 15, St. George's St. Catharines	" 277, Seymour ... Port Dalhousie
" 32, Amity Dunnville	" 296, Temple St. Catharines
" 35, St. John's Cayuga	" 319, Hiram Hagersville
" 103, Maple Leaf St. Catharines	" 329, King Solomon Jarvis
" 105, St. Mark's Niagara Falls St.	" 337, Myrtle Port Robinson
" 115, Ivy Beamsville	" 338, Dufferin Wellandport
" 168, Merritt Welland	" 372, Palmer Bridgeburg
" 169, Macnab Port Colborne	" 373, Copestone Welland
" 185, Enniskillen York	" 471, K. Edward VII.. Chippawa

Toronto West District No. 11. (24.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. H. C. Scully, Toronto.

No. 22, King Solomon's ... Toronto	No. 311, Blackwood ... Woodbridge
" 54, Vaughan Maple	" 326, Zetland Toronto
" 65, Rehoboam Toronto	" 346, Occident Toronto
" 86, Wilson Toronto	" 356, River Park ... Streetsville
" 98, True Blue Bolton	" 369, Mimico Lambton Mills
" 118, Union Schomberg	" 384, Alpha Toronto
" 156, York North Toronto	" 426, Stanley Toronto
" 229, Ionic Brampton	" 438, Harmony Toronto
" 247, Ashlar Toronto	" 468, Peel Caledon East
" 265, Patterson Thornhill	" 474, Victoria Toronto
" 292, Robertson King	" 481, Corinthian Toronto
" 305, Humber Weston	" 496, University Toronto

Toronto East District, No. 11a. (22.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. W. F. Bilger, Toronto.

No. 16, St. Andrew's Toronto	No. 269, Brougham Un'n, Clarendon
" 23, Richmond ... Richmond Hill	" 316, Doric Toronto
" 25, Ionic Toronto	" 339, Orient Toronto
" 75, St. John's Toronto	" 343, Georgina Toronto
" 87, Markham Union Markham	" 354, Brock Cannington
" 97, Sharon Queensville	" 367, St. George Toronto
" 99, Tuscan Newmarket	" 410, Zeta Toronto
" 129, The Rising Sun ... Aurora	" 424, Doric Pickering
" 136, Richardson Stouffville	" 430, Acacia Toronto
" 218, Stevenson Toronto	" 473, The Beaches Toronto
" 220, Zeredatha Uxbridge	" 494, Riverdale Toronto

Ontario District, No. 12. (16.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. W. E. N. Sinclair, Oshawa.

No. 30, Composite Whitby	No. 408, Murray Beaverton
" 39, Mount Zion Brooklin	" 428, Fidelity Port Perry
" 77, Faithful Brethren Lindsay	" 440, Arcadia Minden
" 139, Lebanon Oshawa	" 451, Somerville Kinmount
" 268, Verulam Bobcaygeon	" 463, N. Entrance Haliburton
" 270, Cedar Oshawa	" 464, King Edward Sunderland
" 398, Victoria Kirkfield	" 477, Harding Woodville
" 406, The Spry Fenelon Falls	" 498, King George V., Cobocok

Prince Edward District, No. 13. (20.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. F. Davey Diamond, Belleville.

No. 11, Moira Belleville	No. 126, Golden Rule .. Campbellford
" 17, St. John's Cobourg	" 127, Franck Frankford
" 18, Prince Edward Picton	" 161, Percy Warkworth
" 29, United Brighton	" 164, Star in the East, Wellington
" 38, Trent Trenton	" 215, Lake Ameliasburg
" 48, Madoc Madoc	" 222, Marmora Marmora
" 50, Consecon Consecon	" 239, Tweed Tweed
" 69, Stirling Stirling	" 283, Eureka Belleville
" 91, Colborne Colborne	" 401, Craig Deseronto
" 123, The Belleville .. Belleville	" 482, Bancroft Bancroft

Frontenac District, No. 14. (16.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. D. A. Nesbit, Napanee.

No. 3, The Anc't St. John's, Kingston	No. 212, Elysian Garden Island
" 9, Union Napanee	" 228, Prince Arthur Odessa
" 92, Catarauqui Kingston	" 253, Minden Kingston
" 109, Albion Harrowsmith	" 299, Victoria Centreville
" 119, Maple Leaf Bath	" 404, Lorne Tamworth
" 146, Prince of Wales, Newburgh	" 441, Westport Westport
" 157, Simpson Newboro'	" 460, Rideau Seeley's Bay
" 201, Leeds Gananoque	" 497, St. Andrew's Arden

St. Lawrence District, No. 15. (15.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. E. A. McKim, Maitland

No. 5, Sussex Brockville	No. 242, Macoy Mallorytown
" 14, True Britons Perth	" 368, Salem Brockville
" 24, St. Francis .. Smith's Falls	" 370, Harmony Delta
" 28, Mount Zion Kemptville	" 387, Lansdowne Lansdowne
" 55, Merrickville .. Merrickville	" 389, Crystal Fount'n, N. Augusta
" 74, St. James S. Augusta	" 416, Lyn Lyn
" 85, Rising Sun Athens	" 489, Osiris Smith's Falls
" 110, Central Prescott	

Ottawa District, No. 16. (19.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Alex. Morris, Pembroke.

No. 52, Dalhousie Ottawa	No. 209, Evergreen Lanark
" 58, Doric Ottawa	" 231, Lodge of Fidelity .. Ottawa
" 63, St. John's.. Carleton Place	" 264, Chaudiere Ottawa
" 122, Renfrew Renfrew	" 371, Prince of Wales .. Ottawa
" 128, Pembroke Pembroke	" 433, Bonnechere Egansville
" 147, Mississippi Almonte	" 459, Cobden Cobden
" 148, Civil Service Ottawa	" 465, Carleton Carp
" 159, Goodwood Richmond	" 476, Corinthian .. North Gower
" 177, The Builders' Ottawa	" 479, Russell Russell
" 196, Madawaska Arnprior	

Algoma District, No. 17. (9.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. W. A. Quibell, Port Arthur.

No. 287, Shuniah Port Arthur	No. 446, Granite Fort Frances
" 414, Pequonga Kenora	" 453, Royal Fort William
" 415, Fort William, Fort William	" 461, Ionic Rainy River
" 417, Keewatin Keewatin	" 484, Golden Star Dryden
" 445, Lake of the Woods, Kenora	

Nipissing District, No. 18. (13)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. A. W. Smith, Sturgeon Falls.

No. 405, Mattawa Mattawa	No. 455, Doric Little Current
" 412, Keystone. Sault Ste Marie	" 462, Temiscaming, New Liskeard
" 420, Nipissing North Bay	" 469, Algoma .. Sault Ste Marie
" 427, Nickel Sudbury	" 472, Gore Bay Gore Bay
" 442, Dymont Thessalon	" 485, Haileybury Haileybury
" 447, Sturgeon F'ls, Sturgeon F'ls	" 486, Silver Cobalt
	" 487, Penewobikong..Blind River

Muskoka District, No. 19. (8.)

D. D. G. M.—Lollard McLeay, M.D., Gravenhurst.

No. 352, Granite Parry Sound	No. 423, Strong Sundridge
" 360, Muskoka Bracebridge	" 434, Algonquin Emsdale
" 376, Unity Huntsville	" 443, Powassan Powassan
" 409, Golden Rule.. Gravenhurst	" 454, Corona .....Burk's Falls

Otonabee District, No. 20. (13.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. John Crane, Peterborough.

No. 26, Ontario, .. ....Port Hope	No. 223, Norwood Norwood
" 31, Jerusalem ... Bowmanville	" 313, Clementi Lakefield
" 66, Durham Newcastle	" 325, Orono Orono
" 101, Corinthian .. Peterborough	" 374, Keene Keene
" 114, Hope Port Hope	" 375, Lorne Omemee
" 145, J. B. Hall Millbrook	" 435, Havelock Havelock
" 155, Peterborough Peterborough	

Eastern District, No. 21. (16).

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. O. D. Casselman, Chesterville.

No. 21a, St. John's.... Vankleek Hill	No. 383, Henderson,.. W. Winchester
" 125, Cornwall Cornwall	" 418, Maxville Maxville
" 142, Excelsior Morrisburg	" 439, Alexandria Alexandria
" 143, Friendly Brothers, Iroquois	" 450, Hawkesbury .. Hawkesbury
" 186, Plantagenet .. Plantagenet	" 452, Avonmore Avonmore
" 207, Lancaster Lancaster	" 458, Wales Wales
" 256, Farran's Point .. Aultsville	" 480, Williamsburg, N. W'msburg
" 320, Chesterville ... Chesterville	" 491, Cardinal Cardinal

RECAPITULATION

	District No.				
Erie	1	25	Lodges		
St. Clair	2	20	"		
London	3	26	"		
South Huron	4	19	"		
North Huron	5	19	"		
Wilson	6	22	"		
Wellington	7	21	"		
Hamilton	8	23	"		
Georgian	9	25	"		
Niagara	10	22	"		
Toronto West	11	24	"		
Toronto East	11a	22	"		
Ontario	12	16	"		
Prince Edward	13	20	"		
Frontenac	14	16	"		
St. Lawrence	15	15	"		
Ottawa	16	19	"		
Algoma	17	9	"		
Nipissing	18	13	"		
Muskoka	19	8	"		
Otonabee	20	13	"		
Eastern	21	16	"		

SUSPENSIONS, N.P.D. 1910-1911

No. 6—John R. McDonald, F. W. Hinsdale, Duncan Campbell. 7—Herbert O. Miller, Wm. A. Young. 9—Albert E. Battle, Walter Coxall, John L. Neilson, Frank W. Roberts, Wm. Rankin, Wm. E. Scott. 10—John F. Thompson, F. S. McCallum. 11—Chas. Williams, Daniel Thompson, John Gurney, Wm. R. Kelly, Wm. H. Spooner, Isaac O. Frost. 16—Geo. A. Ball, Walter G. Craig, J. K. Chambers, Wm. Davis, W. F. Firth, H. J. W. Finch, D. E. Hooker, Jos. McKim, John T. McLeod, Jeremiah Miller, J. A. McNeil, E. L. Wilson. 18—Wm. Batton, John H. Jones, Fred T. Knight, Jas. McLeod, Wm. G. Werden. 21a—Norman F. McLennan, Jno. H. Lyons, Jno. McLean, Wm. P. Houston, John J. Sullivan. 22—Fred Carnall, Alex Currie, C. D. Gourlie, John W. Lowry, E. A. Lawson. 27—D. M. Markle, N. R. Stuart. 29—R. O. Miller. 33—W. J. Brown, J. T. Videan, Allan McDonald, R. W. Jones. 38—W. R. Phillips, Bernard McAlpine. 40—H. Freryling, W. Maxwell, W. M. Maguire. 41—John A. Smith. 43—Chas. Otton, Frank Bushaw, Jas. G. Munro, Wm. Walton, Jas. C. Walters, Hy Stevens, Thos. S. Lawrason. 44—H. A. Allen, John Anderson, A. F. Thayer, Wm. Duncan, H. R. Tollon, W. J. Sanders, J. W. Sharpe, Wm. T. Swain, Daniel McAlpine, David Tart, J. H. Westlake, W. H. Bailey, J. R. Payson. 45—F. Stanley, A. D. Passmore, F. A. Cox, C. J. Devlin. 46—W. S. Marshall, R. M. Paxton, J. Davidson, E. E. Workman. 50—Geo. J. Waddell, Harry A. Boyce, John K. Osborne. 52—Wm. R. Burrill, H. R. Erskine, Thos. G. McLaurin. 58—Geo. W. Bailey, Alfred L. Bayham, Herbert W. Booth, Jas. R. Dunlop, Wm. C. Elliott, Robt. C. Henry, Geo. W. Hunt, Geo. W. Langdon, Harold C. Palmer, T. L. Carson. 61—Jas. Anderson, Frank Crawford, Wm. S. Phillips, Jas. Drinkwater, G. G. Anderson, S. T. Tribute. 62—Jno. Farwell, Andrew E. Boyington. 64—Chas. E. Young, Frank H. Robinson. 65—D. Caskie, J. W. Cheeseworth, W. G. Jeffries, A. E. Nelson. 69—Wm. Catta. 75—Jas. M. Fairfield, John C. Garden, Herbert L. Druiffe, W. H. Harris, H. J. Richmond, W. C. Walker, A. R. Kent, H. V. Newbigging, F. G. Sharpe. 76—A. J. Wilson, R. H. Walton, C. Babb, W. W. Camp, H. G. Doyle, C. W. Holcombe, L. S. Lockwood, Wm. McMurray, Jas. McIsaacs, A. R. K. Donald, Jno. H. Neve. 77—Arthur Moon, Alex McCrimmon, W. A. Thomas. 78—Geo. Atkinson, S. Cowan, J. H. Hoover, H. Sinden, J. R. Saunders, Ira Weeks, J. A. Sutherland, Fred Haney. 79—Daniel Neilly, Jos. Babb, John Stewart, Jas. S. Boddy. 82—Percy Thomas, Wm. H. Strachan, Wm. D. Bowden. 83—Wm. A. Heuke. 84—F. A. Scott, Jno. McMurray. 86—R. Bird, A. C. Blythe, S. McK. Brown, H. L. Davies, J. H. Duthie, C. H. Fletcher, H. A. Galloway, G. E. D. Jones, W. J. Kempthorne, W. H. Minshall, S. W. Morgan, D. J. Sinclair, E. H. Talmage. 87—W. F. Grant. 91—Hy Brown, J. Barfelt, T. A. Crandall, D. M. Christie, W. J. Gleason, Jno. Keith, C. A. Wilson, Jno. W. Warren. 96—Jno. H. Willis, Jno. Blaine, Wm. Northgraves. 99—D. McMillan, B. O. Coates, C. F. Dowson, G. L. Kitchen, W. D. Lawrie, Jno. H. Millard, R. B. Smith. 101—R. H. Kells, C. A. Barton. 104—B. A. Mollins, Jno. D. Pollard. 105—Geo. Brundage, Frank McDowell. 107—Wm. R. Dunn, Wm. A. Piper, Wm. Walker, Colin McPherson, Jas. McGregor. 108—Samuel Sherman, E. Hosker, G. C. Wood, E. Duffy, J. McJannet, T. Walsh, J. M. Scubner, E. French. 110—S. I. Burchill, Wm. S. Connell, D. M. Durham, F. M. Scott, Herbert Trippi, Wm. F. Langstaff. 123—Geo. W. Thompson, R. W. Nugent, Geo. H. Ray, C. W. Stroud, D. A. Cameron. 125—Jno. M. Pinkerton, Rd. J. Webb, Percy N. Anderson. 127—James Hurst, Wm. Grass, L. C. McColl. 129—John McArthur. 136—M. F. Hagerman, John McDonald, W. J. R. Aldis, W. O. La Fraugh. 139—Alfred J. Ward, Robt. C. Blayney. 140—Clarence Beam. 143—F. W. Blakeman. 145—Jas. D. Fair. 147—Austin F. Shearn. 149—Herbert G. McGilvery, Alfd. W. Leaney. 151—D. T. Jackman, Chas. F. Washburn, John Moffat. 153—Jos. Robson. 154—E. L. Hodgins, W. Elwood, E. Carter, Jas. Foster, J. C. Taylor. 155—Wm. White. 156—Wm. Hanesford, Wm. Diamond. 157—Jas. W. Thompson, Geo. Sandieson, Saml. M. Hainen. 159—Jas. Busten, F. W. Johnston, M. G. Pettipiece. 164—Alex. M. Crawford, Wm. Grass, Wm. Whattam. 166—Walter Spera, Mark Barker, Thos. L. Bates. 171—D. Patterson, W. D. Killine, W. Grisdale, H. Turner, Jas. C. Brown. 174—W. B.

Smith. 178—Robt. Reesberry, E. J. Gartung, D. A. Foggerith, Wm. A. Kaufman. 192—Colin McArthur, Isaac Reid. 193—Hy. E. Thomas. R. J. Teeter, H. Markle, Jno. B. Henry, Jas. E. Potts. 196—Alfred C. Pye, Sr., A. D. Sinclair, Thos. N. Armstrong, Alfred C. Pye, Jr. 197—Jas. A. Traill, Robt. E. Richardson. 200—Wm. S. Smith. 209A—Arthur R. Deely. 209—Jno. W. Stewart, Arch Affleck. 216—Alex. Dick, Fred Hill. D. McNaughton, A. T. Swinnarton, R. J. Coleman, R. D. Reid, John Telford, R. W. Greig, J. N. Gray. 218—Wm. Simpson, Wm. Findlay, Fred. Howell, T. W. Monroe, A. W. Sinclair. 220—A. S. Sarber, Jos. Cherpan, Geo. Thompson, J. G. Vicars, M. W. Pland, W. H. Moore, Thos. McGrattan. 222—Thos. Fisher. 223—Wm. J. Fleming. 224—Alex. Murdock. 231—Geo. W. Kaye, Douglas McNair, Thos. J. Surman, Robt. W. Urquhart, Allan J. Saunders. 237—Jas. A. Ker. 239—E. C. Cowain, John Burns. 245—Gordon L. Smith. 249—Wm. A. Richards, Fred. H. Lummis. 250—R. R. Gunn, Fred. Howes. 253—Jas. Kearns, T. F. Harrison. 258—D. Scroggie, Saml. Laughlin. 260—John McDonald, Fred. Pope, Jno. Tiffin. 264—E. E. Turner, T. E. Burnside, Jno. Blair, Rd. Pool, A. J. Orr, Victor H. Munn, A. C. Budd. 267—J. W. Aitkin, J. Davidson, Wm. Glover, C. R. Little, H. J. Melville, A. P. McKitchnie, T. B. Townson, C. W. F. Howard, A. J. Owens, P. L. Smith, L. Spence, W. Wilcox. 276—W. Irving, J. E. Green, R. H. Newton, J. D. Scott, Jacob Troyes, Jno. Miller, A. Thacker, J. Martin, B. S. S. Hadley, J. McGregor, Thos. Long, F. Saunders, Geo. Stoddart. 290—Fred. McDonald, Arthur Ives. 292—Isaac McBride. 296—Chas. Jno. Hyde, Albert Ward. 302—Isaac Deyell, Wm. A. Weir, Harold E. Key, David J. Lewis, Chas. F. Maxwell. 303—David Ramsay. 304—Jno. W. Jack, Wm. Adams Thos. Moore. E. C. A. Reynolds. 307—Frank Crawford. 309—Thos. Glenhill. 312—A. R. Robertson. 316—A. Burns. D. Crawford, W. Cosgrave, A. Foy, T. P. Hall, A. Livingston, S. E. Skinner, J. W. Young, H. Lockheed. 322—John A. McPherson, Jas. Henry. 323—Chas. R. Elliott. 324—E. A. Alway, W. P. Cope, J. H. Summers, J. H. B. Webster, M. H. Finnimore, Clark Yuker, J. W. Bates, M. W. Hopkins, T. B. Darling. 326—Chas. H. Hann, Frank W. Vanzant. 330—A. J. Watt, E. R. Lee, C. W. Shosenberg, W. Bennett. 331—Thos. Nichols. 334—Walter R. Henderson. 343—H. F. Collins, E. M. Grant, B. B. Emmerson, Wm. Gardner. 346—Albert Jacks, Thos. C. Smith, Alfred J. Raynor, Wm. G. H. Garrett, Russell S. Mitchell. 354—W. G. Smith, J. J. Hart, H. Jeffrey, P. C. Johnston, E. C. Edwards, W. W. Evans, Jas. Stiles. 367—James L. Finnimore, Jas. Dick, R. Newcombe, Wm. Bruce. 368—J. D. Klendenning, Wm. J. Manahan, Levi Patton, R. L. Graham, G. J. Miller, Geo. H. Clendenning, S. R. Stayner. 372—Wm. Thompson, C. E. Plato. 373—Henry F. Dickie, Geo. F. Bye, Wm. H. Moore, Jas. A. Hughes. 378—W. H. Grant, E. T. Element, W. R. Gurney, W. G. Iaidlaw. 380—C. H. Moran, F. J. Layman, Jas. Drummond, W. H. Chapman, J. T. Hennesy. 382—Wm. G. Ellis, Thos. S. Hill, Wm. R. Hobson, Horace Harvey. 383—Jno. M. Christie. 384—Geo. Jno. Kidd, Stanley B. Harris. 386—Jas. A. Baldwin, Duncan J. Leitch, Orlo L. Lee. 390—W. H. Bradley. 392—Andrew Watson. 395—Thos. H. Warren, John A. Ainslee. 397—Wm. Neil, Thos. Johnston, W. J. Brownlee, John D. McIntosh, Jas. L. McBean, Wm. Marr. 398—Jos. McClelland, James Staples, W. C. Pedlar. 399—Geo. J. Burns. 403—Wm. Valentine, D. J. Cheyne. 404—Hy. S. Paul. 406—Wm. M. DeCew. 409—Jas. Hedger, John C. Leigh, Edward Reeves, Isaac White. 410—Fred. A. Loudon, R. G. Jones. 412—Thaddeus M. Lewis, Wm. H. Smith, Alex. Leslie, H. E. Baker. 413—S. M. Gardner, Hy. Richardson, Harry Doherty, Isaac S. McCallum, Jas. W. Campbell, S. M. Young. 414—Wm. Ansley, Wm. J. Johnston, Rod. McLeod, Angus M. Bellefeinle, Joshua Large, Wm. F. McSweyn, G. A. Will. 415—W. W. Bradley, Geo. Dulmage, G. W. Fleming, Jas. McDonald, F. Saloway. 417—Abraham Levinson. 421—Wm. Lonley, Geo. H. Haslem, W. A. Lynn, Jno. Newberry, G. E. Wilson. 423—Jno. Arthurs, W. H. Stinson, A. C. McDonald, Wm. Dobson, David Ganton. 424—Louis A. Findlay. 425—Wm. P. Walker, John A. Crossland, M. B. Moore. 429—J. C. Clark. 430—Wm. C. Charters, H. J. Sheppard, Ernest O. Wilson, Robt. Wilson, W. Pilkey, A. O. Mason, Jno. Berry. 431—Wm. Trimble. 434—Jas. F. Stuart, Wesley Paul, Wm. Blair, John Gilpin, David F. Milloy, Geo. A. Thompson, W. C. Roberts, Thos. W. Martin, Jas. Baker, F. W. Bowles. 436—John A. Rourke. 437—Wm. Shaw. 438—P. L. Bryan, A. G. Carter, A. O. McCallum, T. H. Wark. 442—W. H. Patten, Jas. Baker, Jas. E. Gorrell, Neil Currie. 450—Fred. Adams, W. R. Montgomery, H. S. Brock, R. Driscoll, A. G. Richardson, Jas. E. Bangs, Sam. Brown, Jos. Gwynne, S. G.

Walker, B. F. Miller. 451—R. J. Mills, R. J. Megraw, W. J. Wilson, A. H. McGrath, D. A. A. Davis. 453—T. Johnston. 463—D. Davis. 468—Jos. W. Jaggs. 469—Carl O. Burton, Wm. C. Davis, John Gilbertson. 473—Arthur Stephens, E. H. Bier. 474—Thos. Ramshaw. 475—Robt. J. Smith. 478—Jacob J. Schmidt. 481—Alex. Beatty, Thos. Black, W. Jeffrey, D. F. Donald, G. L. Vivian. 482—John Martin, Jno. L. Reid. 484—John Brandon, Ernest G. Anry, A. E. Thompson, Ed. Gowan, Geo. Hardy, Wm. Gall, Peter Reid, Hector Stevens, H. R. A. Adams. 489—R. Marshall. 494—Jos. Johnston, Ellis C. A. Reynolds.

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384—Fredk. E. Karn. 55—Victor H. Tallman. 220—Geo. E. Gillan. 48—B. J. McKerracher. 121—Edward Lloyd Jones. 196—John Mattson. 81—George Burtch. 22—David Stevenson. 367—Frank White. Unaffiliated, William Richard Travers.

EXPULSIONS, 1910-1911.

447—James Henderson.

DEATHS, 1910-1911.

2—Frederic Masters, 5th October, '10; Alexander Servos, 11th December, '10. 3—Geo. Thompson, 21st November, '10. 5—R. G. Murphy, 1st October, '10; Robt. G. Harvey, 28th November, '10; Angus Shaw, May 16th, '11. 6—Jno. Moffatt, 2nd September, '10; W. O. Tidswell, 8th October, '10; Colin Arthur, 12th December, '10; W. H. Cliff, 19th December, '10; Wm. Cussick, 10th February, '10; Jno. F. Stewart, 1st March, '11. 7—John Moffatt, 2nd September, '10; Jos. Chambers, 4th November, '10. 9—Fredk. T. Dibb, 2nd December, '10; Jas. Walters, 17th May, '11; Geo. T. Sexsmith, 30th May, '11. 11—M. E. Ostrom, 30th June, '10; P. Acton, 11th July, '10; D. Coyle, 11th July, '10; Jas. McGuire, 26th August, '10; Thos. B. Marshall, 22nd January, '11; G. O. Wardhaugh, 31st March, '11. 15—Jno. Vanderburg, 15th January, '11; Wm. R. Cagle, 5th June, '10. 16—Andrew Smith, 15th August, '10; John L. Cox, 19th August, '10; H. S. Mathews, 14th November, '10; Geo. Clay, 6th April, '11; John Barrett 2nd June, '11. 18—Wm. H. Orchard, 21st September, '10; Robt. Cunningham, 4th November, '10; P. Dulmage, 2nd December, '10; Donald Ross, 25th December, '10; Joshua Warren, 26th December, '10; Jas. Collier, 9th February, '11; Rich. Noxon, 28th February, '11; J. W. Corger, 25th May, '11. 20—John Phillips, C. T. Derley, Jno. D. Sharman, John Smart, J. Percival, 24th November, '10; Benj. R. Stran, 5th August, '10. 21A—Fred. Fitzpatrick, 15th September, '10. 22—Jno. N. McKendry, 1st July, '10; Jno. Roberts, 3rd November, '10; Edward Astigan, 21st November, '10; Robert Marshall, 9th January, '11; H. H. Wiltshire, 13th February, '11; R. M. Campbell, 11th March, '11; Thos. Black, 16th May, '11. 24—Clarence Hawkes, 18th December, '10; Thos. Jones, 7th February, '11. 26—John Thompson, 12th August, '10; S. B. Buller, 9th October, '10; S. Purser, 2nd January, '11; Robt. Nichol's, 2nd March, '11; A. W. Spooner, 21st February, '11. 27—Thos. Hood, 27th August, '10; F. E. Kilvert, 21st August, '10; Alex. Stuart, 19th August, '10; Angus Sutherland, 17th December, '10; Thos. Wavell, 24th June, '10; Robt. Young, 15th February, '11. 28—John McEiv, 21st September, '10; H. W. Curry, 15th April, '11. 29—A. B. Loomis, 20th April '11. 30—Thos. Deverell, 23rd September, '10. 31—Lewis Jollow, 10th June, '11. 32—Rd. Flowers, 27th December, '10. 33—B. Knott, 23rd July, '10; Thos. Huckstep, 30th August, '10; W. D. Tye, 4th February, '11; P. MacFarlane, 4th February, '11; John Whitelaw, 4th February, '11. 34—Alex. Hackett, 6th January, '11. 35—E. J. Wigg, 14th December, '10; Jno. Nogel, 27th November, '10. 37—Wm. D. Hook, 21st February, '11. 38—Jno. F. Hendricks, 9th November, '10; P. R. B. Fosbrooke, 17th October, '10; Geo. T. Newn, 9th May, '11. 40—Robt. Hannaford, 18th July, '10; M. Logren, 25th March, '11; Geo. Bartmann, 28th March, '11; John Thompson, 2nd April, '11; Geo. Matthews, 3rd June, '11; A. L. Pentecost, 19th June, '11. 41—Robt. Fagan, 7th September, '10. 42—E. B. Stone, 16th January, '08; E. Beltz, 16th August, '10; J. F. Marchant, 30th November, '10; D. Westman, 11th August, '10; R. F. Whitney, 17th October, '10.

43—A. J. McIntosh, 28th August, '10; Isaac W. Griffin, 13th October, '10; Wm. Pott, 16th February, '10; C. C. Forsyth, 22nd May, '11; John A. Baird, 25th January, '11. 44—Geo. Smith, 4th November, '10; Hugh Williams, 5th July, '10. 45—Fred. Leaper, 30th March, '09; Wm. Northwood, 28th July, '10. 46—Donald Grieve, 14th December, '10. 47—Wm. J. Moore, 15th May, '11. 48—Duncan Bethune, 27th September, '10; O. D. Brooks, 15th March, '11; R. J. Crawford, 20th May, '11; G. B. Greens, 28th March, '11. 49—John C. Whitechells, 9th November, '10; Wm. A. Cook, 8th June, '11. 50—David A. Wilson, 19th April, '11. 51—Jno. B. Crawford, 5th November, '10; W. Smith, 8th November, '10. 52—Jas. E. Waterhouse, 12th September, '10; John H. Tilden, March, '11; W. J. Crankshaw, February, '11. 53—Peter McEwan, 13th June, '11. 54—Jas. H. Greer, 25th March, '11; Francis Love, 4th January, '11; H. E. Crouch, 28th December, '10. 55—Jno. Garton, 20th August, '10; Isaiah D. Dewar, 23rd December, '10; A. J. Peacey, 18th May, '11. 56—Jno. Morrison, 28th June, '10. 57—Jay Denyes, 30th April, '11. 58—Malcolm Beacon, 23rd November, '10. 59—Jas. Whitson, 28th April, '10; Humphrey A. L. White, 8th July, '10. 60—Bernard Sanders, 12th September, '10; Wm. J. Cadell, 19th June, '11. 61—H. A. Willis, 1st November, '10. 62—Joseph Cooper, 19th September, '10; Louis Archambault, 23rd April, '11; Alex. Cathro, 3rd May, '11; John McGilvray, 3rd June, '11; Henry Holtop, 29th June, '11. 63—Michael Reynolds, 16th October, '10. 64—Arthur L. Orton, 8th March, '10. 65—W. H. Beatty, 7th January, '11; L. A. Betts, 7th April, '11. 66—S. Myers, 10th September, '10; John Segsworth, 10th November, '10; Geo. C. Moore, 10th July, '10. 67—M. R. Hemmingway, 13th March, '11; A. D. Smith, 7th May, '11. 68—Jno. L. Cox, 19th August, '10; R. Dickinson, 1st April, '11; Geo. Cook, 6th June, '11. 69—Roy S. Ainsworth, 8th March, '10; Jno. A. Scott, 9th September, '10; I. H. Platt, 19th November, '10. 70—Jno. L. Gooderlee, 21st March, '10; A. Haaze, 14th June, '10; J. J. O'Hagan, 10th September, '10; Wm. Marshall, 12th November, '10; Fred. Wirtz, 18th June, '10. 71—Jno. Gentles, 7th August, '10; Chas. Poulton, 23rd May, '11. 72—Wm. Kennedy, 1st January, '11. 73—Geo. Fogg, 3rd March, '11. 74—Jas. Wilson, 25th July, '09; Robt. M. White, 11th September, '10; Ernest T. Adair, April 14, '11. 75—David Lloyd, 11th April, '11. 76—Arthur H. Peck, 18th July, '10; F. J. Bell, 13th April, '11. 77—Peter Secord, 4th July, '10. 78—Geo. B. Greenwood, 16th July, '09; John Lennox, 22nd November, '10; O. D. Glasgow, 5th January, '11. 79—Wm. Shore, 24th October, '10. 80—Geo. B. Brack, 4th February, '11; John Ferguson, 19th March, '11; A. J. Smith, 17th March, '11; J. P. Wiser, 30th April, '11. 81—Murray L. Harp, 18th August, '10; John McTaggart, 17th January, '11; Peter Stafford, 19th January, '11; Floyd Carnes, 2nd March, '11. 82—John Leggett, 13th March, '11. 83—Hector Currie, 7th January, '11. 84—John Brydon, 22nd June, '11. 85—Jas. W. Miller, 4th December, '10. 86—Wm. Masterson, 3rd October, '10; Benj. C. Wheeler, 3rd January, '11. 87—Wm. G. Austin, 5th September, '10; Robt. Logan, 10th November, '10; W. H. Tait, 1st December, '10. 88—Arthur Downey, 7th August, '10; Thos. McGinnis, 4th April, '11; Jas. Wallace, 4th May, '11. 89—David Black, 29th June, '10. 90—John Hoople, 25th December, '10. 91—Robt. W. Gordon, 30th December, '10; W. H. Sparling, 2nd October, '10; John P. Miller, sr., 1st December, '10; S. E. Mitchell, 11th March, '11; David Small, 1st April, '11. 92—Geo. F. McMahon, 22nd July, '10; Jno. Webb, 13th November, '10. 93—John Somerville, 10th February, '11; Milton McCrimmon, 20th March, '11. 94—Chas. Watt, 9th November, '10; Thos. Thompson, 27th June, '11; Wm. Moore, 24th January, '11. 95—F. W. G. Fletcher, 29th October, '10; John N. Le Roy, 16th January, '11; Wm. Lauchland, 14th May, '11. 96—Robert McK. Corey, 14th August, '10. 97—Geo. Morris, 11th February, '11; Reuben McDonnell, 7th April, '11. 98—John Ridgedale, 10th February, '11; R. J. Stevenson, 1st May, '11. 99—Chas. P. Shaver, 25th March, '10; Geo. F. Emery, 23rd November, '10. 100—T. B. Barrett, 27th December, '10; Jno. S. Allen, 23rd March, '11. 101—Jacob Conrad, 25th January, '11. 102—Wm. Culvert, 7th December, '10; Geo. W. Hodgins, 29th May, '11. 103—Peter Downham, 25th June, '10; Wm. Smith, 2nd December, '10; 104—Benj. Sinclair, 13th May, '11; John Fisher, 28th May, '11. 105—Wm. McDonald, 14th May, '10; Donald Ross, 25th December, '10. 106—Wm. J. S. Williamson, 23rd February, '11. 107—Hugh N. Jardine, 16th May, '11. 108—Jennings, 25th August, '10; Wm. McDuff, 7th April, '11; Casper Ramey, 24th April, '11. 109—John McCullough, 5th January, '10; H. B. Hutton, 8th April, '11. 110—G. L. Gibson, 30th August, '10; Robt. Anderson, 24th December, '10. 111—Archibald McKellar,

14th December, '10. 192—Thos. Verner, 11th July, '10; Jno. Sparling, 3rd December, '10. 193—Wm. Devlin, 25th October, '10; Arch. Markle, 3rd March, '11; Robt. J. Young, 8th May, '11. 194—Duncan Sinclair, 18th May, '11. 195—Jno. D. Wilson, 16th May, '10; Chas. Forbes, 13th May, '11. 196—Duncan Dewar, 2nd November, '10; Fred. S. Graham, 21st January, '11; Geo. E. Nelson, 26th February, '11. 201—Geo. E. Fales, 17th March, '11; David Wilson, 14th April, '11. 209A—John Siddons, 3rd April, '11; Hy. Orellen, 8th April, '11; B. C. Thomas, 21st May, '11. 218—A. A. Spoffard, 10th April, '11; Thos. Graham, 13th April, '11; John H. Bell, 10th May, '11. 219—Thos. J. Wheeler, 28th October, '10. 220—Thos. Davey, Assa Millard, Wm. Ogg, 22nd October, '10; M. L. Nutting, 9th April, '11. 221—Edwin Brown, 22nd October, '10; Wm. J. McGartney, 29th May, '11; Wm. H. Burton, 19th May, '11. 222—Geo. L. Hardy, 30th July, '10; Jos. H. Warren, August 15th, '10; Saml. Mulligan, 4th December, '10. 224—Duncan B. McEwan, 11th April, '11; Peter Douglas, 24th June, '11. 225—Alex. Garroch, 4th November, '10. 228—Fredk. T. Dibb, 2nd December, '10; W. B. Macdonald, 24th December, '10. 229—Jno. A. Campbell, 21st October, '10; Thos. Crowforth, 23rd April, '11. 230—Chas. Catcher, 18th March, '11. 231—Saml. W. Mills, 7th October, '10; Jno. F. Stewart, 4th May, '11; Jno. L. Richardson, 12th May, '11; Jno. E. Heron, 22nd June, '11. 236—George Cook, 4th December, '10; Wm. Kennedy, 1st January, '11; D. G. Whealey, 4th February, '11. 238—D. J. Campbell, 21st June, '11. 239—Phillip Clark, 4th December, '10; Thos. Beatty, 30th April, '11. 243—Richard G. Lawrason, 18th December, '10; Wm. A. Mullin, 15th January, '11. 245—Jas. B. Lawrence, 22nd September, '10; Wm. Sherman, 24th November, '10. 247—Bernard Saunders, 12th September, '10; Hy. B. Howson, 9th July, '10; Wm. R. Urquhart, 13th February, '11. 253—Wm. H. Goodwin, March, '11. 254—Jas. B. Stephens, 7th February, '11. 258—Solomon Myers, 11th October, '10; Orrin Henry, 17th May, '11. 260—Jno. McKenzie, 11th July, '10. 262—Jno. Livingston, 31st August, '10. 263—Edwin F. Mahler, 29th May, '11; John C. Pollock, 24th June, '11. 264—Robt. J. Edwards, 23rd September, '10; Geo. Bailey, 26th October, '10; Arthur Begg, 15th December, '10; Peter Whelen, 17th March, '11; Wm. G. Wilson, 2nd April, '11; Wm. Hill, 18th June, '11. 265—John Fisher, 28th May, '11; Robt. Baxter, 9th April, '11. 268—Jno. A. Simpson, 18th December, '10. 270—Chas. A. Jones, 24th September, '10. 272—Garfield Smith, 20th December, '10. 282—Stephen Blackburn, 17th May, '11. 284—Reuben Crone, 31st October, '10; Wm. E. Clark, 14th December, '10; James Murray, 27th December, '10; David Robb, 17th March, '11. 286—Wm. Messer, 14th December, '10. 289—David Fuller, 27th December, '10; Thos. R. Powell, 6th March, '11. 290—Geo. Craig, 14th November, '10. 291—Jno. E. Tunis, 12th October, '10. 292—Wm. Watson, 31st January, '11; Jos. Prentice, 1st December, '10. 295—Adam Delmage, 31st December, '10. 296—Arthur M. Platt, 1st December, '10; Norman M. Black, 9th January, '11. 297—Chas. H. Belt, 28th October, '10; W. H. Steinhoff, 28th June, '10. 300—John H. Lockray, 18th Oct., '10. 302—P. Wadsworth, 7th Feb'y, '11; Russell L. Oakes, 31st May, '11. 304—G. O. Dolmage, 14th July, '10; Edward Crockett, 16th March, '11. 306—Wm. Caldwell, 9th August, '10. 312—D. R. Sutherland, 22nd February, '10; Wm. Patterson, 20th April, '10; Jno. Cooper, 8th June, '10. 313—Chas. D. Crawford, 24th January, '11. 314—Peter Marion, 17th March, '11. 316—S. B. Buller, 9th October, '10; W. K. Morgan, 7th November, '10; J. A. Russell, 10th September, '10; Jas. Lockhart, 27th January, '10; Robt. May, 11th February, '10; B. Gower, 5th September, '10; A. G. Robinson, 18th September, '10. 319—Geo. A. Howard, 24th April, '11. 322—Saml. Wiggins, 24th June, '10; Jno. A. Whitesides, 5th August, '10; B. S. Wieland, 8th June, '11. 323—Duncan McDougall, 4th October, '10. 324—R. H. Stevenson, 3rd November, '10. 326—W. E. Wellington, 4th September, '10; Wm. Caldwell, 19th June, '11; J. R. Prosser, 21st January, '11; S. J. Hunt, 21st January, '11. 329—Geo. Miller, 8th August, '10; Wm. H. Miller, 12th June, '11. 330—Robt. Parsons, 16th October, '10; Titus McNaughton, 19th November, '10; Alex. Irvine, 2nd February, '11; Otto E. Brener, 24th March, '11; Ephraim Blanchard, 11th April, '11. 332—Jas. Coghill, 17th December, '10; Thos. Nunns, 25th February, '11. 334—Jno. Hunter, 30th July, '10. 339—Jno. F. Argue, 6th October, '10; Ira Bates, 19th December, '10; W. A. Parkman, 3rd February, '11; H. W. Brown, 17th February, '11; S. Armstrong, 28th February, '11; Thos. Bedley, 30th March, '11. 343—Thos. Lawless, 13th July, '10; F. M. Allan, 13th September, '10; J. L. Richardson, 12th May, '11. 345—Geo. Leith, 11th September, '10; Fred. Burton, 18th February, '11. 346—Donald R. McLean, 14th August, '10; A. E.

Coggins, 15th November, '10; Thos. Black, 3rd Nov., '10; John Fox, 29th April, '11. 348—Robert Scott, 23rd May, '10. 352—Alex. M. Currie, 14th November, '10; Robert Forrest, 22nd December, '10. 354—John Vicars, 29th September, '10. 356—Geo. H. Richie, 16th August, '10. 357—Edward Brown, 11th September, '10; Jas. E. Stewart, 28th April, '11; Levi Baker, 19th April, '11. 361—E. G. Tyler, 362—P. F. Munroe, 23rd October, '10. 367—W. H. Syms; John Kyle, 24th January, '11; Simon Hall, 5th May, '11; J. H. Ellis, 20th June, '11. 368—Robt. Rowell, 15th November, '10; E. L. Hillman, 17th November, '10; Rev. L. A. Betts, 7th April, '11. 369—Geo. Gray, 20th December, '10; Saml. E. Curry, 23rd December, '10. 370—Walter Beatty, 5th January, '11; Wellington Johnson, 25th March, '11. 372—Frank E. Beam, 27th November, '10; Robt. Burns, 28th May, '11. 376—Jno. R. Reece, 22nd October, '10. 380—Jno. Lawson, 26th July, '10; Jno. Dryden, 22nd September, '10; Chas. Doe, 7th February, '11. 382—Jno. Bickell, 17th September, '10; Jno. E. Thomas, 23rd November, '10; Byron E. Fitchett, 19th November, '10; Lewis McAdam, 20th January, '11; Alfred Morgan, 27th February, '11; A. E. Buscombe, 9th April, '11. 383—W. A. Empey, 18th August, '10. 384—Geo. J. Little, October 6th, '10; Thos. Lawless, 12th July, '10; Wm. H. Greet, 2nd August, '10; Randolph Macdonald, 21st June, '10; Robt. Duffill, 26th March, '10; Wm. Small, 11th October, '10; Jas. Hilsden, 2nd January, '11; Robt. Ross, 13th February, '11; S. Y. French, 14th April, '11. 385—H. S. Matthews, 14th November, '10. 389—John Chapman, 10th April, '10. 392—Benjamin Richardson, 27th July, '10. 393—Joseph Adams, 394—Wm. Burton, 23rd May, '10. 395—David T. Voakes, 5th May, '11. 396—Chas. V. Parke, 11th October, '10. 398—Harold E. Mayes, 21st December, '10. 400—Jno. S. McGibbon, 18th August, '10; C. F. Raymond, 26th November, '10. 40—Donald Ross, 25th December, '10. 403—J. H. Taylor, 3rd January, '11; Jno. Wilkinson, 18th April, '11. 406—Jos. Heard, 15th January, '11. 409—Frank Hornsby, 24th August, '10. 410—Marshall R. Wynn, 13th July, '10; Jno. T. Thompson, 7th November, '10; Mathias R. Steele, 17th January, '11; Chas. S. Sparling, 29th Mar., '11. 412—Wm. C. Barr, 28th Oct. '10; Fred. W. Johnston, 16th Jan. '11; Wm. C. Dunseath, 13th April, '11. 415—R. J. Robinson, 20th April, '10; Jno. Fraser, 13th March, '10. 418—Donald McDiarmid, 6th September, '10. 419—John McDonald, 12th April, '11. 425—Orville A. Smith, 25th October, '10. 426—Ralph B. Page, 6th August, '10; Rd. Phillips, 16th November, '10; Robt. S. DeWitt, 1st June, '11. 427—Wm. Mitchell, 17th August, '10; David Johns, 24th December, '10. 428—Robt. McKnight, 17th October, '02. 429—James M. Chisholm, 7th May, '10. 430—Alex. Menzies, 6th July, '10; Robt. McKay, 11th January, '11; Wm. T. Empringham, 2nd January, '11. 435—Thos. Wright, 1st January, '10. 437—Thos. H. Smith, 5th July, '10; Wm. J. Moore, 13th June, '11. 438—J. J. Bailey, 21st September, '10. 439—Wm McLeod, 17th January, '11. 442—Edgar B. K. Foster, 21st October, '10; Jos. A. Scott, 15th March, '11. 451—Wm. P. Robinson, 25th December, '10. 452—Austin Snetsinger, 14th April, '11; Wm. A. Forsyth, 14th June, '11. 457—W. B. Shaw, 16th November, '10. 459—Geo. Valliant, 5th March, '11. 461—Alex. W. Walsh, 11th July, '10; James Clarkson, 11th August, '10; Andrew M. Johnson, 1st November, '11. 462—Robt. Peebles, 15th August, '10; Jas. R. Kinler, 9th September, '10; J. A. Routledge, 16th December, '10. 466—H. W. Sparling, 10th January, '11. 468—Wilnot Beamish, 1st January, '11. 471—Jno. Lennox, 22nd November, '10; Geo. B. Greenwood, 19th July, '10. 474—Wm. Ineson, 7th December, '10; Oliver Welding; H. F. Grundy, 27th March, '11. 475—Wm. H. Wilson, 16th July, '10; Frank Hinchliff, 12th March, '11. 477—Allister J. Ferguson, 1st February, '11. 480—H. J. Whitteker, 29th January, '11; Hy. W. Ford, 17th February, '11. 484—Geo. M. Purdy, 6th October, '10; E. J. Poile, 23rd October, '10. 486—Geo. Duncan Hardy, 30th July, '10. 493—H. A. L. White, 8th July, '10. 498—Geo. W. Stevens, 24th March, '11.

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3—Lewis J. Day. 5—Wm. Woods. 6—Geo. Hy. Matthews. 9—T. W. Simpson. Wm. Dunwoody. 18—Edwin E. Coolidge. John W. Conger. 22—Wm. Warty. 24—Chas. E. Breckenridge. W. M. Surdam. Jno. R. Lavell. 26—Jno. E. Lyon. Jno. Thompson. M. D. Welch. 28—John Saunders. 34—Jno. G. Hanston. 40—Jno. Stoneman. W. J. Clarke. W. Hoover. G. W. Allan. E. Truscott. 41—Angus A. McDonald. 42—Donald Soden. 43—Albert O. LeGrand. 44—Jno. M. Doty, Daniel McAlpin. 45—W. H. Tanner. 46—Elias J. Forsythe.

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R.W. Bro. A. E. Cooper	... London	Belgium	M.W. Bro. Houzeau de Lehaie	M. Riau Nedgrot	Rue du Persil, 8 à Brussels
V.W. Bro. A. L. Malone	... Toronto	Brazil	Bro. J. Ramsay	Augusta T. Palma	Casilla 53
R.W. Bro. George Tait	... Toronto	Chile	Jose L. Vidaurreta	Carlos G. Charles	D Santiago
R.W. Bro. W. G. Fekins, M.A.	... Toronto	The Island of Cuba	Bro. Ettore Ferrale	S. Stevenson	Havana
R.W. Bro. G. G. Rowe, M.D.	... Toronto	Greece	Bro. Louis Goapil	Dr. Alex. Fraenkel	Athens
R.W. Bro. R. Radcliffe	... Goderich	Hungary	Bro. T. A. O. DeRidder	A. Cefaley	Budapest
R.W. Bro. W. J. Drope	... Grimsby	Italy	Bro. J. M. Samper Angiano	J. Isabree Moens	Castelazze-Rome
		Mexico	Bro. Edwardo Lavergue	Manuel J. Caceres	Rotterdam
		The Netherlands	Bro. Joas C. D'Almeida	José G. Torres	Lima
		New Granada	Bro. Charles Gerster	Leopold A. P. Gomez	San Juan
		Peru			Lisbon
		Puerto Rico			
		Portugal			
		St. Domingo			
		Switzerland			
		Uruguay			
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Appendix to Proceedings of 1911

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

(A. T. FREED, P. G. M., CHAIRMAN)

To the President of the Board of General Purposes:

On behalf of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, I beg to submit the following report. Proceedings of Grand Lodges reviewed are the following:

	Year		Year
Alabama ..	1910	New Hampshire	1910
Alberta ..	1910	New Mexico	1910
Arkansas ..	1910	New South Wales..	1910
British Columbia	1910	New York	1911
California ..	1910	New Zealand	1910
Colorado ..	1910	North Carolina	1911
Connecticut .	1911	North Dakota	1910
Cuba ..	1910	Nova Scotia	1910
Delaware ..	1910	Ohio . .	1910
District of Columbia.	1910	Oklahoma ..	1910
England .	1910	Oregon ..	1910
Florida .	1911	Pennsylvania .. .	1910
Georgia ..	1910	Puerto Rico	1910
Idaho .	1910	Prince Edward Id..	1910
Illinois .	1910	Quebec ..	1911
Indiana ..	1911	Queensland ..	1910
Iowa ..	1910	Rhode Island	1910
Ireland .	1910	Saskatchewan ..	1910
Kansas .	1911	Scotland ..	1910
Louisiana ..	1911	South Australia	1910
Louisiana ..	1910	South Carolina	1909-1910
Maine ..	1910	South Dakota	1910
Manitoba ..	1910	Tasmania	1911
Maryland .	1910	Tennessee ..	1910
Massachusetts ..	1910	Texas ..	1910
Michigan ..	1910	Utah ..	1911
Minnesota ..	1911	Vermont ..	1910
Missouri ..	1910	Virginia ..	1910
Montana .	1910	Victoria ..	1910
Nebraska ..	1910	Washington ..	1910
Netherlands ..	1910	Western Australia ..	1910
Nevada ..	1910	West Virginia	1910
New Brunswick.....	1910	Wisconsin ..	1910
		Wyoming .	1910

ALABAMA

Ninetieth Annual Communication, held at Montgomery December 6, 1910. Lawrence H. Lee Grand Master. Lodges represented 407; unrepresented 110. Five Past Grand Masters were present. It was reported that a number of representatives of foreign Grand Lodges, including the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, had failed, for three consecutive years, to attend the annual communications, and the Grand Secretary was directed to notify the several jurisdictions accordingly, and to request that their commissions be withdrawn and commissions issued to others recommended by the Grand Master of Alabama. And that example might with advantage be followed elsewhere.

The Grand Master was able to say that "Masonically and materially the year has been a good one," and he looked hopefully to the future. He said:

Masonry, though old, is yet young. The vistas if its usefulness still stretch gloriously through the coming years, far into the future beyond our human ken. Its purposes are yet unfilled, and must so remain until the dawning of that good day when all of the people of all of the lands with one accord shall proclaim the brotherhood of man, and the Fatherhood of God.

No less than thirteen dispensations had been issued during the year for the formation of new lodges.

Three dispensations had been granted to lodges to continue work till the meeting of Grand Lodge, their charters having been forfeited by failure to be represented in Grand Lodge for two successive years. All the lodges so favored were represented at the session under review.

Ten special communications were held for the purpose of dedicating lodge rooms or laying corner stones and the Grand Master presided at all of the ceremonies with two exceptions.

Many dispensations were granted to lodges to "ballot out of time" and confer degrees upon candidates. For example: "To St. John's Lodge, No. 62, to ballot out of time and confer the F. C. and M. M. degrees upon Isaac M. Bryant and Pierre F. Miles." It is generally wisely provided that a certain time must elapse after the conferring of a de-

gree before the candidate can be advanced, in order that proper instruction may be given. Doubtless circumstances may and do arise under which the law may be set aside, but when dispensations are granted in one year for the untimely advancement of eighty candidates, grave doubts will arise whether more than the mere convenience of those interested was considered. Respecting these dispensations Bro. Lee says, "In each instance I have made it a condition precedent that the lodge require the candidate for whom the dispensation is granted to pledge his Masonic honor that he would learn the lesson of all the degrees as soon as possible."

A communication was received from the Odd Fellows asking that the oppression of Jews in Russia be condemned, but it was not acted upon.

In 1909 the Committee on Correspondence submitted a special report, which was referred to the Grand Master for action, to make investigations relative to the recognition by the Grand Jurisdiction of New Jersey of a lodge or lodges who receive and confer the degrees upon negroes as well as whites. Bro. Lee seems to have a very level head, and in this case he declined to be led away by either passion or prejudice. He reported that in one lodge in New Jersey negroes were permitted to become members, but that the practice was being discouraged and would probably be discontinued. He added:

I find similar conditions to exist in several of the Grand Jurisdictions, with whom we hold fraternal relations. Such a condition exists in Nova Scotia, in Washington, possibly in the Philippines, where California has several lodges, certainly in several lodges under the jurisdiction of the Mother Grand Lodge of England. To have begun the severing of fraternal relations on that account would have led to results not at all desirable, in my judgment.

If our proud boast be true that Masonry is universal (and the writer is firmly convinced that it is), then its viewpoint is necessarily as broad and universal. From this viewpoint, the objection to continuing fraternal relations for the reason stated is untenable, because based upon a racial and social prejudice or at least a racial and social distinction. While this prejudice or distinction is as firmly grounded in the writer as in any other living man, I am of the opinion that it should not be allowed to bias our judgment or control our actions in matters affecting the rights of others, who may conscientiously entertain other views.

Bro. Lee attended a convention called for the purpose of promoting the erection of a memorial to Washington, the Mason, and he recommended that Grand Lodge give the project its countenance and financial support. The recommendation was approved by Grand Lodge.

Many decisions were given, mainly interpretations of the law of the jurisdiction. The Grand Master reversed his former ruling that the hymn "Nearer, my God, to Thee," is a sectarian hymn. Correct. We doubt that any Hebrew Mason will object to the hymn. The Cross is a Christian symbol, but it is more: It is older as a religious symbol than Christianity; and, as Bro. Lee says, it may with propriety be used in all lands by all people who are eligible to be made Masons.

An issue of bonds to the amount of \$50,000 was recommended for the enlargement of the Masonic Home, which was concurred in.

Past Grand Master William Y. Titcomb handles the Foreign Correspondence with marked ability and evident fondness for the work. His review of Canada covers the proceedings for 1909 only, the report for 1910 having reached him too late. He thinks bodies of the Eastern Star should not be excluded from Masonic lodge rooms and says: "If the strict rule should be relaxed in anybody's favor the Eastern Star should be the favored one in view of the noble work for Masonry those unselfish women are doing." But why should the strict rule be relaxed in favor of anybody?

Lodges 526, including none under dispensation. Members 23,303, a gain of 984.

Lawrence H. Lee, Montgomery, Grand Master.

George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, Grand Secretary.

ALBERTA.

The fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta was opened at Calgary May 25, 1910. J. T. Macdonald Grand Master.

Lodges represented 40; unrepresented 7.

The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was in attendance. On the dais were four Past Grand Masters.

During the year there had been five special communications, two for the laying of corner stones and three for the dedication of Masonic halls.

The Mayor of Calgary welcomed Grand Lodge in a fitting address, to which the Grand Master replied in appropriate language.

The Grand Master congratulated the brethren upon the increase in numbers during the year, an increase of about 17 per cent. He added:

This progressive spirit has not only found its manifestation in the increase of numbers but as well in many acts of Masonic charity and helpfulness that have marked the relation of our brethren to each other. Of this fact I speak authoritatively, having had occasion during my visitations, to come in touch with this higher spirit and material beneficence of our fraternal teaching.

During the year Bro. Macdonald had visited each of the lodges in the jurisdiction, and in doing so he had traveled about seven thousand miles. His observations during these visits led him to congratulate Grand Lodge on the high standard of the subordinate lodges. Not only was the work correctly and impressively done, but the greatest care was taken to accept only good and sound material. And, more than that, he said:

I was glad to note throughout our jurisdiction the desire on the part of our members to accomplish something practical. I heard not any boasting of the glories of the past. I heard no brother trying to take credit for the greatness of our Order in bygone days. They realize that this greatness is due, not to us, but to the efforts of those good brethren who have long since laid down the working tools of life, and have been called hence by the sound of the gavel in the hands of the Great Architect of the Universe. Our membership seems to realize that our institution of to-day cannot live alone on the accomplishments of the past.

Of the seven lodges under dispensation five received warrants, and two were continued under dispensation.

Three other lodges had received dispensations.

The report of the committee on Grievances and Appeals is both brief and satisfactory. Nothing requiring the attention of the committee was brought before it.

Fraternal relations were established with the Grand Lodge Alpina, Switzerland.

Grand Lodge adopted a report favoring a celebration of the bi-centenary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England.

There seems to be a diversity of work in the jurisdiction. A committee had agreed upon a ritual "for the use of Ancient York Rite lodges in this jurisdiction." It would be much better to demand uniformity of ritual. Laxity now is sure to lead to trouble hereafter.

A fund is being formed for the establishment of a Masonic home and school. Up to the 26th of May, \$4,266 had been received.

There is no foreign correspondence report.

Lodges 53, including six under dispensation; members to Dec. 27, 1909, 2990, an increase of 451.

J. J. Dunlop, Grand Master.

George Macdonald, M.D., Calgary, Grand Secretary.

ARKANSAS.

The sixty-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas was opened at Little Rock November 15, 1910. A. J. Witt Grand Master. Lodges represented 445; unrepresented 96. Eleven Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, R. W. Bro. T. M. Horsfall, was present.

In his address the Grand Master noted the death of Past Grand Master William K. Ramsay, who, he said, was "one of nature's noblemen, big-hearted, generous and a true friend."

He had ruled that charts might be used in the lectures of the several degrees, but they must conform to the work taught. No penalty can be inflicted upon a brother who absents himself from lodge meetings during the initiation of one whom he deems unfit material for Masonry. "But he does the lodge wrong and himself an injustice." Which is hardly understandable unless we assume that the brother in question refused or failed to vote against the objectionable candidate. At public installations or laying of corner-stones it is unmasonic to have speculative stands or games for the purpose of making money. "A lodge which connives at, permits or encourages such devices on any Masonic occasion deserves censure and severe discipline."

During the past year ten dispensations had been granted for the formation of new lodges; but the Grand Master is of opinion that there are already "too many

subordinate lodges for the best interests of the Craft."

Nine emergent communications of Grand Lodge had been held, all for the purpose of laying corner stones.

The charter of one lodge had been arrested for the reason that an appeal for assistance to a brother had been sent out in which the facts in the case had been materially misrepresented, so much so that it was practically a case of obtaining money under false pretenses.

In the orphans' home thirty-seven children were maintained. The cost of maintenance was \$9,298.70, or about \$250 each.

Charters were granted to five lodges under dispensation.

The foreign correspondence is in the hands of Bro. George T. Black, who presents a summary of the doings of Grand Lodges without criticism or comment.

Lodges 522; members 19,934.

F. G. Lindsey, Bentonville, Grand Master.

Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Grand Secretary.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The thirty-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia was opened at Cranbrook June 23, 1910. H. N. Rich Grand Master. Lodges represented 44; unrepresented 9. The name of the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada does not appear among those of representatives present.

The Mayor of Cranbrook, who is a Mason, welcomed Grand Lodge in an excellent and appropriate address, which was suitably acknowledged.

In his address Grand Master Rich said:

I am pleased to report that the year has been a successful one for the Craft and that during my visits amongst the Brethren I find Masonry increasing in interest, in charity and in efficiency, and if while I have held this office, I have assisted in increasing the hopefulness and confidence of the Brethren in themselves and in one another. I shall hand over the Jurisdiction to my successor with thanksgiving to the Great Architect and satisfaction to myself.

Among the rulings are the following:

1. A lodge room may not be used by a body of the Eastern Star.

2. A lodge meeting held in the absence of the Master and both Wardens was out of order, and all business done thereat was of no effect.

3. A brother cannot be Master of two lodges at the same time.

4. Only Master Masons are entitled to notices of regular meetings of lodges.

Dispensations for the formation of two new lodges were issued during the year.

Four special meetings of Grand Lodge had been held during the year, one for the laying of a corner-stone, and three for the dedication of lodge rooms.

At the dedication of the new hall in Victoria, which was the fiftieth anniversary of the introduction of Masonry in British Columbia, M. W. Brother David Wilson, P.G.M., read an interesting and valuable paper on the early history of Masonry in the Province. In the course of it he said:

It is recorded that a great Roman Consul once intended to erect a temple to be dedicated to both Virtue and Honor, but being prevented at that time from carrying out his plan, afterwards altered it and built two temples so situated that the only avenue to the temple of Honor lay through that dedicated to Virtue. He thus bequeathed a refined moral to posterity that the only road to Honor must lie in the paths of Virtue.

Grand Lodge has a charity fund of \$22,264.79; but there have not been many demands upon it.

The Grand Chaplain, the Rev. and V. W. Bro. H. G. Fiennes-Clinton, delivered an eloquent address. In concluding it he said:

We may keep a brother's secrets, but do we always remember how much we can support and lift him up with our strong right hand? Words of comfort we may whisper, but there are those other words, of warning counsel, rebuke, that are so much harder to give, and, therefore, such a far stronger test of brotherly love. A true brother shrinks from no effort to help and lift up a brother. We have that grip, the most powerful of all, the grip that is able even to raise the dead to life—and who can tell whether it may not be in our power even to raise one whom we might think past redemption, to live again among us as a just and up-right Mason. Such is the power and meaning of brotherly love.

R. W. Bro. W. A. DeWolf Smith is chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence; and he presents a good report, as far as it goes; but it does not go far enough, for it does not include any notice of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

The proceedings are well printed, forming a very attractive volume.

Lodges 56, including 3 under dispensation; members 4,550, an increase of 408.

Edward B. Paul, Victoria, Grand Master.

R. E. Brett, Victoria, Grand Secretary.

CALIFORNIA.

The sixty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of California was opened at San Francisco October 11, 1910.

Lodges represented 290; unrepresented 53. Fifteen Past Grand Masters were present.

At the Annual Communication in 1909, W. Frank Pierce was elected Grand Master. He served almost the entire year, and then was suddenly removed by death. The date of his death is not given; but, as he had prepared his address which was dated thirteen days before the meeting of Grand Lodge, it must have been close upon the meeting. Under the law of California, the Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Dana Reid Weller, became Grand Master, and read the address prepared by Bro. Pierce.

The deceased Grand Master was born in New York; removed to California, and was very successful in business there; took an active part in every branch of Masonry; and was loved and honored by all with whom he came in contact. The preparation of his address was his last official act.

In that address he said:

It is gratifying to be able to report that Masonry is prospering throughout the entire jurisdiction. The past year has been one marked by the largest net gain in the history of the Grand Lodge, an increase of nearly twenty-seven hundred members and thirteen new Lodges, as well as by great and substantial progress along lines which lead to better fraternal feeling among Lodges and members.

He spoke, though not in a complaining spirit, of the difficulty of dealing with the applications for relief continually coming before the brethren in California. Thousands of invalids seek that state yearly in search of health; many of them need assistance before their health is regained; and many die leaving dependent relatives. Assistance is given freely to Masons who need it; and only a part of the money is ever returned. For example, the Board of Relief of San Francisco had paid out in one year more than \$12,000, of which \$7,000 was

repaid. Canadian Masons were assisted to the amount of \$409.65, and only \$70 was repaid. Like conditions, though on a smaller scale, prevailed throughout the state.

Six lodges were constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were issued for the formation of thirteen new lodges.

Fifteen special communications of Grand Lodge were held for the purpose of laying corner stones and dedicating Masonic halls.

Bro. Pierce was of opinion that Grand Lodge should participate in the laying of the corner stones of such buildings only as are of a Masonic or of a strictly public character. Therefore he had declined to assemble Grand Lodge for the purpose of laying corner stones of churches and other buildings not strictly public in character.

The project for a Masonic temple at San Francisco has taken shape, and the building will be proceeded with in the near future. When finished there will be little if any debt against it.

The Masonic homes, hospitals and benevolent boards of California are doing noble service. The reports respecting them are too long and too complicated to be summarized; but our belief is that, numbers considered, the brethren of the state are doing as noble work as is done in any part of the world. The net receipts of the year for the Masonic home were \$63,817, and the expenditures \$40,195.

When the Philippine Islands became territory of the United States, the Grand Lodge of California assumed Masonic control. There were then a number of lodges in the islands chartered by the Grand Orient of the Scottish Rite in Spain. Recently these lodges were declared by the Grand Lodge of California to be irregular and clandestine, on the ground that the Grand Orient of Spain itself was irregular, and had no legitimate power to create bodies of craft Masons. The situation is complicated by the fact that there are two bodies of the Scottish Rite in Spain, each claiming regularity and denouncing the other as spurious. In the present volume of proceedings is the report of a special committee appointed last year to consider the whole situation. This committee entrenched itself behind the proposition that a body of the Scottish Rite has no authority to charter symbolic

lodges, and prepared some very drastic resolutions for the acceptance of Grand Lodge. But Grand Lodge declined to adopt the resolutions, and merely ordered the report to be printed for future information. The question is one of no little difficulty. The report is of considerable value, as it contains all the information respecting Philippine Masonry which could be gathered.

Bro. Edward H. Hart, whose Masonic rank we cannot determine, is the chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, and he presents a very well prepared and comprehensive report of nearly 200 pages. His report on Canada is kindly and ample; but his hair stands on end at the audacity of a Canadian Grand Master who spoke of a "society of ladies called the order of the Eastern Star." It is pretty evident that no Grand Master in California would dare be guilty of such lese majeste.

In his concluding remarks Bro. Hart says:

It may be a matter of interest to know that the largest Grand Lodge in the world, numerically considered, even larger than the United Grand Lodge of England, with subordinates in every quarter of the Globe, is that of New York, with a membership of 163,341; the United Grand Lodge of England having a membership, according to the figures taken from the calendar for 1909, issued by the International Office for Masonic Inter-course, Neuchatel, Switzerland, of 152,000.

We should like to have some further information on that point. The Grand Lodge of England does not publish the number of members belonging to lodges under its jurisdiction; indeed, does not keep the record. The Grand Secretary of South Australia gives the figure at 200,000 approximately, and another writer puts it at 250,000. Be the numbers of English Masons what they may, we lift our hat to the Masonic body which expends \$550,000 in charity in a single year.

Lodges 343; members 43,675.

Dana Reid Weller, Los Angeles, Grand Master.

John Whicher, San Francisco, Grand Secretary.

COLORADO.

The fifteenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Colorado was opened at Denver September 20, 1910. George W. Musser Grand Master. Lodges represented 112; unrepresented 6. Twenty-six Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of

the Grand Lodge of Canada was in attendance.

During the past year nine special communications were held, all for the purpose of laying corner stones or dedicating lodge rooms.

In his opening address the Grand Master said:

It is with profound gratitude that I can report that among the Craft in this Jurisdiction peace prevails, prosperity abounds, and, above all, a spirit that makes for good, for sound morals, for sturdy, rugged manhood radiates from our Masonic Lodges, aiding, strengthening and ennobling everything that comes in contact with it. Without design to do so, without show or ostentation, but because of its unflinching adherence to the first principles of sound morality and right, its refusal to be led astray by popular clamor or to pose for popular favor, its quiet dignity and stately deportment, Masonry in this Jurisdiction has become a great institution, influential for the advancement of those moral qualities that make for the betterment of social and civic conditions.

During the year two lodges were instituted and consecrated; and dispensations were issued for the formation of five new lodges.

The Grand Orator, Bro. Fred E. Angove, delivered an eloquent and instructive address, in the course of which he said:

Just as the children fear night with its uncertainties of vision and its unknown terrors, just as they people the dark with hobgoblins and ghosts merely because they cannot be seen, so the unthinking children of men are apt to impute to secret orders the foulness of their own too vivid imaginations.

An order is neither good nor bad because it is secret. But there are means by which even an outsider may judge of the good or evil purposes even of a secret organization. Let him ask himself, "What is the effect of a Lodge on character? Does it elevate or degrade?" The great Divine teacher has said, "By their fruits ye shall know them!" Good societies make good men; bad societies make bad men; then test them according to this rule.

We should be glad to make more extracts from this address if we could find room for them.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported an amendment to the constitution, which was adopted, as follows:

All Masons belonging to Lodges in this Jurisdiction are forbidden to knowingly hold intercourse with any Mason belonging to a Lodge chartered by the Grand Lodge of France, and any Brother doing so shall be subject to the highest Masonic penalties.

On the evening of the first day of the meeting the fiftieth anniversary of the formation of Grand Lodge was fittingly celebrated by a public meeting in the

Central Presbyterian church. The principal events at this meeting were music and addresses. M. W. Bro. Musser welcomed the audience; several Past Grand Masters delivered addresses; and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Charles H. Jacobson, read a comprehensive and very valuable history of the Grand Lodge, all of which were printed in the proceedings and are full of interest.

M. W. Bro. Lawrence N. Greenleaf handles the Foreign Correspondence with judgment and great ability. He is conservative in his views; and, while he does not freely express his personal views, he does not hesitate to do so when the occasion seems to require.

Lodges 118; members 14,311, a gain of 765.

Albert B. McGaffey, Denver, Grand Master.

Charles H. Jacobson, Denver, Grand Secretary.

CONNECTICUT.

The one hundred and twenty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut was opened at New Haven January 18, 1911. Fred A. Verplanck Grand Master. Lodges represented 110; unrepresented 0. Thirteen Past Grand Masters adorned the East, and R. W. Bro. Clarence R. Austin, the representative of Canada, was present.

Among the honored dead for the year was M. W. Bro. Frederick Hemingway Waldron, who was Grand Master in 1883. Of him it was said that "he never ceased to labor for the interests of others, nor failed to show his love and devotion for his friends."

On the recommendation of M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, R. W. Bro. S. E. Cornell was appointed to represent the Grand Lodge of Connecticut near this Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master approved of the scheme to erect a memorial to the memory of Washington the Mason, and recommended that permission be granted to collect in Connecticut voluntary subscriptions in aid of the memorial. The recommendation was approved by Grand Lodge.

He also approved the scheme to celebrate with fitting ceremonies the two hundredth anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England, and appoint-

ed a committee to consider and report upon the best means of carrying the proposal into effect.

The Masonic Home fund is raised by an assessment upon the lodges of 90 cents for each Mason not exempt from payment of dues, \$5 for each initiate and each affiliation; and the brethren who are exempt from payment of dues contributed liberally to the fund. The total receipts on account of the home were \$5,288, of which \$1248 was voluntary. The cost of maintaining the home is not given; but the Grand Treasurer reports payments to the Masonic Charity Foundation of nearly \$18,000.

Bro. Verplanck called attention to the fact that the Grand Lodge had no official regalia, and he recommended the appointment of a committee to consider that question and report. A committee was appointed.

The Committee on Finance reported in favor of an assessment upon the lodges of \$1.25 annually for each member, of which 90 cents shall be for the Masonic Charity Foundation, and 35 cents for defraying the expenses. In addition members exempt from dues contribute voluntarily to the charity fund. It will be seen that Connecticut Masons are not handing out wooden nutmegs to their needy brethren.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is written by M. W. Bro. Frank W. Havens, the Grand Secretary, who proves himself a judicious and able compiler and editor. Considering an objection to Masonic church services from the California correspondent, Bro. Havens points out that these services are not to teach or hear doctrines, but to "attend special Masonic services, with lessons drawn from the principles of Masonry and the lives of the Saints John, Masonry's patrons." He adds that he has yet to hear one sentence which would indicate the doctrines held by the church at which he was in attendance. That is also the experience of this present writer.

He still has some difficulty in understanding why this Grand Lodge has the name of Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. Well, that has been explained several times; but let us repeat: When this Grand Lodge was formed it was the Grand Lodge of Canada, and its jurisdiction covered the whole of what was then Canada, the present provinces of Ontario

and Quebec. When the Dominion of Canada was constituted, or soon afterwards, the Grand Lodge of Quebec went into business on its own account; the Grand Lodges of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were already in existence; and new Grand Lodges have since been formed in the great Canadian west. Under the circumstances it would appear to be an easy thing to change the name to suit changed conditions, and to call ourselves the Grand Lodge of Ontario. But, unfortunately, an irregular body sprang into existence which called itself the Grand Lodge of Ontario, and was incorporated as the Grand Lodge of Ontario under the law of the province, and a body of colored people also took the name. It thus became impossible to do what under other circumstances Grand Lodge would have been glad to do; and so the next best thing was done, which was to call the body the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Lodges 110; members 23,251, a gain of 552.

Randolph B. Chapman, Madison, Grand Master.

Frank W. Havens, Hartford, Grand Secretary.

CUBA.

Quarterly sessions of Grand Lodge were held in June, September, and December, and the Annual Communication March 27, 1910. Calixto Fayardo y Rosello Grand Master. Lodges represented 54; unrepresented 11.

Masonry in Cuba has many difficulties to encounter. The mixed character of the population is a certain drawback; the strength of political feeling in a country where the passions of recent political upheavals are still bitter hinders free and friendly intercourse to a considerable extent; and the active and deadly hostility of the dominant church acts as a deterrent to all but resolute and determined men. In his address Grand Master Fayardo said:

When, two years ago, I took charge of the affairs of the Grand Lodge, I feared, as I said on that occasion, that the divisions that perturbed our peace, united to the obscure situation through which our country passed, deeply stirred by the dreadful political strifes, would make my labor fruitless. When I was reelected a year ago to continue handling Grand Lodge affairs, I hoped that our country had already entered an era of calmness and normality, that would allow us to peacefully dedicate ourselves to the study, development and solution of the

ideals of the Masonic Institution in Cuba. And you are all witnesses that it has not been so, unfortunately.

It seems that those dreamed-of days of moral peace, social confraternity, and public welfare that will allow us to live peacefully, happy and content, will never arrive for our native country; because in reality passions still prevail all around us; nobody seems content and something similar to the nervousness that precedes the great phenomena of Nature prevails in this country, so dearly beloved by us. It is on that account that I dare proclaim as an undisputed triumph the vitality of Masonic doctrines, for, notwithstanding that critical period undergone, the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba has endured the trial successfully advancing steadily in the path of moral and material progress. I dared not really hope that at the end of my task, I would have grounds for congratulation on the success conquered; small, it is true, but success at the end.

Notwithstanding the fewness of their numbers and the smallness of their resources, the brethren were active in charitable work, and contributed both with money and goods to those who suffered from cyclones.

Many lodges throughout the island are endeavoring to provide themselves with lodge rooms of their own.

The Grand Master says:

Our foreign relations continue to be as uninterrupted and fraternal as ever. We may say that we are in fraternal correspondence with all the regular Masonic Grand Bodies in existence. This is indeed a source of deep teaching for all of us, proving that conservatism is a good policy and that we should cling steadfastly to it.

On the 5th of December, 1909, the Grand Lodge celebrated by a banquet the close of "its fiftieth year of continuous, uninterrupted existence."

The foreign correspondence is in the hands of a committee, of which R. W. Bro. F. de P. Rodriguez is chairman.

Lodges 65; number of members not given.

Aurelio Miranda, Havana, Grand Master.

Carlos G. Charles, Havana, Grand Secretary.

DELAWARE.

The one hundred and fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware was opened at Wilmington Oct. 5, 1910. Edward B. Mode Grand Master. Apparently all the lodges in the state, twenty-two in number, were represented. The name of the representative of Canada does not appear in the list of Grand Representatives present.

Two special communications were held during the year, both for the purpose of laying corner stones.

In opening his address Grand Master Mode said: "I have not sought great reforms nor display of authority, considering that the duty of Grand Master was as that of a brother of the fraternity, and not as an absolute ruler of Delaware Masons." A little later he said:

Free Masonry is an institution that has stood the test of ages; other orders have flourished and fallen, but the noble principles it has inculcated have stood the ravages of war and the decay of time; its precepts are invulnerable, it defines man's duty to himself as well as to his fellow man, it teaches self perfection and elevation.

During the year he had visited at least once each lodge in the state.

He recommended recognition of the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

He strongly urged the establishment of a Masonic Home. This recommendation was considered by the Committee on Jurisprudence, which approved the proposal, and recommended the appointment of a committee empowered to procure such home whenever the available funds shall be sufficient for the purpose without placing a debt upon Grand Lodge, and further that the committee shall have power to levy an annual tax of \$1 for each member in the jurisdiction. The report was adopted.

R. W. Bro. L. H. Jackson handles the Foreign Correspondence in an able manner, though his report is too much condensed. But the quality is good, and that is the main thing. Perhaps he thinks that, as Delaware is "least among the princes of Judah," the report should be short. Don't be too modest, Bro. Jackson.

He does not think the Grand Lodge of Queensland should be recognized just yet. He says:

Yes, we are waiting for the establishment of a United Grand Lodge of Queensland, which shall embrace a majority of the Lodges of all the Bodies in that territory, that shall be autonomous and sovereign therein. That is the only cure for the present state of affairs and the only ground upon which we can recommend recognition.

Lodges 22; members 3131; a gain of 92.

G. Layton Grier, Milford, Grand Master.

Virginus V. Harrison, Wilmington, Grand Secretary.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia holds "stated" meetings for various purposes each year.

On the 12th of March, last year, a communication was held which was a lodge of instruction. Grand Lodge having been opened in ample form, the officers vacated their seats, when skilled brethren from different lodges assumed them and exemplified the three degrees.

On the 24th of March a special communication was held for the purpose of attending the funeral of M. W. Bro. Eldred Griffith Davis, who was Grand Master in 1887 and 1888.

The second stated meeting was held May 11, 1910. In his address the Grand Master submitted the following as a rule for the observance at Masonic funerals:

Upon the death of a Master Mason within the jurisdiction of his Lodge, the Master shall, as soon as possible, ascertain the wishes of the deceased, or his relatives, respecting his funeral, in order that if a Masonic burial is desired the proper time may be fixed and the Master made aware of all the arrangements in relation thereto. Should the deceased brother be a member of any civic society whose attendance at the funeral is desired by his family, the Master of the Lodge shall also consult with the presiding officer of such society respecting the details of the ceremonies, impressing upon him the fact that when the Lodge has received the body it must necessarily remain in the uninterrupted charge thereof until the conclusion of its services, except that any church service already begun may be concluded at the grave or chapel before the Masonic service commences, with the understanding, however, that the depositing of the body in the grave must be by the Lodge. (

The Master must have a distinct understanding with the officiating clergyman prior to the time set for the service that the Lodge is to have the actual depositing of the remains in the grave.

This recommendation was adopted by Grand Lodge.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence reported against recognition of the Ottoman Grand Lodge, on the ground that the new body is not regular and that it is being used for political purposes. The report was adopted.

Steps were taken to celebrate the centennial of the Grand Lodge in 1911.

An invitation to attend an international Masonic conference at Brussels was ordered to be acknowledged and placed on file.

A resolution of sympathy with English Freemasons on the death of King Edward was adopted.

A special communication was held May 12 for the purpose of dedicating the Scottish Rite Cathedral. The ceremonies were of an impressive and elaborate character.

At the third stated communication, September 24, an invitation was received from the Bishop of Washington to attend a Masonic service in the cathedral close. In his invitation, his Lordship said that researches had disclosed a very close relationship between the building of European cathedrals and the guilds of operative Masons. He added:

To so great an extent is this that it has been said that there is hardly any cathedral, either on the continent or in England that has not been built, wholly or in part, by these societies, while it has been conjectured that the distinctive style of architecture called Gothic may have been conceived, as Rebold alleges, from the Bauhütten or wooden booths built around the cathedrals in which Masonic Lodges are thought to have first taken their form as deliberative assemblies, and in which the philosophy of the craft received its development.

So close indeed was this association between these Masonic bodies and the building of cathedrals that Brentano (*History and Development of Guilds*, London, 1870, p. 80), ascribes the growth and varied fortunes of Masonry to the strength or weakness of the incentive towards cathedral building.

In modern cathedral and church buildings in England the Masonic fraternity has taken conspicuous part both in the ceremonies of laying cornerstones and in contributing portions of the buildings in the name of the order.

The services were held on the 25th of September, and were of a very impressive character. More than 3,500 Masons were present.

The one hundredth Annual Communication was held December 21, 1910. George C. Ober Grand Master. Lodges represented 28; unrepresented 0. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present. The name of the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada does not appear.

The business was almost purely of a routine character, and not of interest outside the jurisdiction. Approval was given to a memorial to Washington, the Mason.

M. W. Bro. George W. Baird conducts the Foreign Correspondence. His work is marked by ability and judgment. He courteously summarizes the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada. He cannot agree that the Grand Orient of France ought to have fraternal recognition, because it has removed the Vol-

ume of the Sacred Law from its altars and has ceased to recognize the Great Architect of the Universe so that "it does permit an atheist to become a member of the Orient," and Bro. Baird will insist that "the Bible is an essential part of a Blue lodge," and that "there can be no orthodox lodge without it." And there every true Mason in the world will be on the side of Bro. Baird.

Lodges 28; members 9,005, an increase of 57.

J. Claude Keiper, Washington, Grand Master.

Arvine W. Johnston, Washington, Grand Secretary.

ENGLAND.

The published reports of the quarterly meetings of the Grand Lodge of England are brief, and tell little more than the business doings of the mother Grand Lodge of the world. Incidentally they tell of large sums given to alleviate suffering, of great charities nobly maintained, of opulent funds jealously guarded as held in trust for the poor, and of frequent gifts to swell those funds. But little more is told; and, in fact, some of the quarterly reports have not reached us. Part of the information given below is borrowed from other reports.

At the quarterly communication held in June, 1910, the Board of Benevolence announced that during the quarter relief to the extent of £4,675 had been granted. It will be remembered that the greater part of Grand Lodge charities are used for the support of Masonic homes, orphanages and schools. But outside of these there appear to be direct grants of money approximating \$100,000 annually.

Announcement was made that 135 "poor old men and women" had recently been given annuities from the funds at the disposal of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution.

V.W. Bro. John Strachan, who had for many years been Grand Registrar, was compelled to retire from that office by ill-health; and Grand Lodge voted him a gratuity of £1,000 on retiring. It may be explained that the Grand Registrar in England does not hold a merely honorary office, as is the case here.

On the 19th of May an Especial Grand Lodge was held for the purposes of voting addresses and passing resolutions in view of the death of his Majesty King Edward VII.

At the June quarterly meeting the Pro Grand Master made the following announcement:

"Brethren, may I make an announcement which may at first sight appear personal, but which is really official. I do not think it is generally known that I was honored by the gracious commands of His Majesty to attend the funeral of His late Majesty King Edward VII., at St. George's Chapel, Windsor, in order to represent the Craft in my official capacity as Pro Grand Master. I had a letter from Earl Marshal, the Duke of Norfolk, telling me this was His Majesty's express wish, and that it was hoped it would be a gratification to the Craft to know that they were officially represented. Perhaps, I may also remind you, that those who were honored with invitations to St. George's Chapel, Windsor, where the accommodation was extremely limited, were either the personal friends of His late Majesty, or else those who had been privileged to serve him in some close personal capacity. I feel it my duty to announce this, in order that it may be known among the craft that His Majesty King George V. in his sorrow and tribulation, and, although he is not a Freemason, was not unmindful of the connection of his august father with the Craft."

His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught is Grand Master; Lord Ampthill Pro Grand Master; Sir Edward Letchworth Grand Secretary. The address of the Secretary is Freemasons' Hall, London.

FLORIDA.

The eighty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Florida was opened at Jacksonville January 17, 1911. Louis C. Massey Grand Master. Lodges represented 173; unrepresented 24. Seven Past Grand Masters were present. Canada was represented by M. W. Bro. Silas B. Wright.

During the year two special meetings of Grand Lodge had been convened for the purpose of laying corner stones, and one for the dedication of a Masonic lodge room.

In his address the Grand Master congratulated the craft upon the general prosperity of the state of Florida and of the fraternity throughout the state. "Our fraternity," he said, "partakes of the general prosperity and now two hundred and two lodges work under charter and dispensation, and shelter between nine and ten thousand Masons, living, for the most part, in contentment, peace and harmony."

Among the losses by death was that of M. W. Bro. Thomas M. Puleston, who was the Grand Master in 1903 and 1904.

The Grand Master reported that a suitable memorial stone had been placed over the grave of General Robert Butler, who was Grand Master in 1832; Adjutant General in the United States army; and the first Surveyor General of Florida.

He had issued dispensations for the formation of eight new lodges.

He approved the proposal to erect, at Alexandria, Virginia, a memorial to Washington, the Mason.

He complained that, while some of the District Deputy Grand Masters had faithfully and efficiently performed their duties, others had not. It appears that in Florida "scarcely ever are more than half the lodges visited."

He disapproves of the frequent appeals for aid from lodges having sick members. He says:

We have, in my opinion, wholly outgrown this system of circular appeals, which savors too much of begging letters. True charity seeks to throw the mantle of obscurity over the identity of the recipients, but this method ruthlessly exposes the poverty of the individual and of the lodge to nearly ten thousand persons in the State, and has become little better than licensed mendicancy. It is high time for us to wake out of sleep and to set about in earnest to devise a system of current adequate relief, by which we shall merit the reputation the fraternity enjoys in the world for relieving the wants of its members and their families, when they are no longer able to help themselves. Other Grand Lodges have dealt with the subject and have worked out a solution. As the first step, I recommend that a committee of three be appointed to consider the matter; to correspond, if need be, with other Grand Jurisdictions, and to report at the next Annual Grand Communication.

Among the decisions of the Grand Master the following are of general interest:

A Master Mason unjustifiably deserting and refusing to support his wife is guilty of a Masonic offence and is subject to discipline.

If on the petition of a candidate, the ballot shows one black ball, and the ballot is spread a second time with the same result, the ballot cannot be re-opened even by dispensation from the Grand Master, and even though the dark ballot was cast by mistake, as the second passing of the ballot is the final Masonic method of guarding against mistakes.

It occurs to us that the brother who cast the ballot by mistake knew of the mistake before the ballot was completed. Then he ought to have announced the fact before the Master declared the result. The Master could then have declared "no ballot." But possibly

there is a law in Florida making this procedure impossible.

The foreign correspondence is conducted by M. W. Bro. Silas B. Wright, who is evidently the Wright man in the right place. Dealing with Canada, Bro. Wright says many of the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters "are the most interesting part of the book, and are of exceeding value to the Grand Master and the craft." For his kindly words personal he will accept thanks.

Lodges under charter 197; members 9,501, an increase of 423.

Albert W. Gilchrist, Tallahassee, Grand Master.

Wilbur P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Secretary.

GEORGIA.

The one hundred and fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Georgia was opened at Macon October 25, 1910. Henry Banks Grand Master. Lodges represented 551; unrepresented 41. Only three Past Grand Masters are recorded among those in the Grand East. R. W. Bro. R. A. Henderson, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, was present.

Immediately after the opening the Grand Master presented a handsome apron to Past Grand Master James W. Taylor, and a jewel of honor to the Grand Treasurer, R. W. Bro. J. M. Rushin.

Grand Master Banks was very severe upon the manner in which the money of Grand Lodge is spent. He said:

We have an income sufficient, if properly and economically used, to meet all the wants of the craft in Georgia. Do we use the money that yearly flows into our treasury as we would if it was our own? This Grand Lodge should pay all expenses to maintain it, but they should be reasonable expenses. I submit that a pay roll of \$19,287.80 for a three days' session of this Grand Lodge, and \$6,109.09 for the support of our Masonic Home is not consistent with our profession of love for our distressed brothers, their wives, widows and orphans, and is not good financing. Three times as much goes into our pockets for a three days' session of this Grand Lodge as we expend in twelve months for charity at our Masonic Home. If this was our individual business we should endeavor to increase the income and decrease the expenses. Some wise and equitable plan should be adopted to this end. The sessions of the Grand Lodge are not held for the purpose of placing money in our purses, but to devise ways and means for the uplifting of humanity, to relieve the distressed and cause the tears

to cease to flow from the eyes of the widow and orphan, and make Masonry stand for what is noble, pure and good.

He reported that the Masonic home was doing excellent work; but more room and some improvements were needed. He had no doubt that the necessary money would be raised. He recommended better education of the children of the home, so that, on going out into the world, they might be better equipped for the battle of life.

He seems to have been indefatigable in visiting lodges throughout the jurisdiction. No part of the state was left unvisited.

He made no less than seventy-eight rulings. He says: "I am impressed with the thought that if the Masters of the lodges would study the code and refer to it when questions arise, it would save letter writing and economize useful time." It is quite evident, from the decisions given, that almost all of the questions asked could have been answered by reference to the constitution. How would it do to test a Master Elect as to his knowledge of the constitution, and refuse installation if he be found ignorant of the fundamental law of Masonry in his jurisdiction?

Twelve Occasional Grand Lodges were held during the year, mainly for the laying of corner stones.

Fraternal recognition of the Grand Lodge of El Salvador was refused "until we are satisfied as to the stability of the new Grand Lodge."

Brother Banks thinks that Masonry ought to prove a great educational and repressive force in the moral education of the people; and he thinks that there is great need of such educational force. He recalls the saying of President Taft when he was Secretary of War—"I grieve for my country to say that the administration of criminal law in all the states of the union (there may be one or two exceptions) is a disgrace to our civilization." The Grand Master adds:

There are thirty murders a day—more than one every hour of the twenty-four; 200 every week; over 10,000 every year, and it is growing worse—not better. It appears that crime has increased four and a half times in twenty years.

We have more homicides in the United States than occur in England, Scotland, Ireland, Holland, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Hungary, Italy, France and Spain, all combined, notwithstanding their population is three times ours.

More people are murdered in the United States in three years than were lives lost in the British army in the Boer war.

For the entire United States less than two out of one hundred murderers are punished, and other ninety-eight go absolutely free. It is more dangerous to steal a loaf of bread, rob a hen roost, or shoot your neighbor's dog, than to kill a human being.

That is an appalling indictment; and if the Masons of the country can help to make things better they will be doing good work for humanity.

The Grand Master closed with an eloquent tribute to Freemasonry, from which we would like to copy, but extracts alone would not do justice to the panegyric, which is a finished and perfect gem.

During the year fifteen dispensations had been granted for the formation of new lodges.

A resolution was adopted "that the Grand Master shall not hereafter sanction any appeal to the craft for aid except in case of an extraordinary emergency, of which he shall be the judge."

Bro. Banks declined to be a candidate for re-election.

The foreign correspondence is in the able and judicious hands of R. W. Bro., A. Q. Moody, who presents his readers with an excellent epitome of the doings of sixty-one Grand Lodges. His personal opinions are never obtrusively put forward, and when he has an opinion to offer it is generally worth something.

Number of lodges 600; members 35,295, an increase of 2,587.

George M. Napier, Decatur, Grand Master.

W. A. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary.

IDAHO.

The forty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho was opened at Boise September 13, 1910. George F. Gagnon Grand Master. All the lodges in the state were represented, fifty-five in number, including twelve under dispensation.

During the year four special communications of Grand Lodge were held, all for the purpose of laying corner stones.

Grand Master Gagnon declared Masonry in Idaho to be at high tide. "The year's endeavor," he said, "speaks eloquently of results, showing harmony and

contentment, as well as a wonderful growth of membership."

Among the questions submitted to him was the following: "Is a person who is a native of Persia, born of an Armenian mother and a Persian father, eligible to the degrees of Masonry?" His answer was: "Every lodge in this jurisdiction is the sole judge of who shall become its members. Under the conditions stated, I suggest that the petition be not received." It is not very easy to understand why the petition should not be received if the candidate were personally unobjectionable.

One lodge under dispensation was constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were issued for the formation of 11 new lodges.

Bro. George E. Knepper is chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and presents an excellent and carefully prepared report.

He thinks the day will come when Masonry will be so altered as to include the Eastern Star. Well, no one can tell what calamities are in store for the order.

Lodges 55; members 3167; an increase of 426. We cannot make the figures come out that way, but the Grand Secretary says that was the increase.

Byron H. Defenbach, Sand Point, Grand Master.

Theophilus W. Randall, Boise, Grand Secretary.

ILLINOIS.

The seventy-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Illinois was opened at Chicago October 11, 1910. Albert B. Ashley Grand Master. Lodges represented 752; unrepresented 28.

In opening what he calls his report to Grand Lodge the Grand Master said: "We have 780 lodges and over 100,000 members. . . . While bigness is not always goodness, yet, when proper care and scrutiny have been exercised at the ballot box and by committees of investigation, we properly take pride in our large membership, the largest with one exception on the American continent, and the third largest on earth." Further, he congratulated the brethren upon the peace, harmony and prosperity prevailing among the lodges, and also upon the fact that relations with the seventy-

one grand bodies with which they were in fraternal correspondence were most cordial and friendly.

Among those who had been called from labor here was Past Grand Master John M. Pearson. Bro. Pearson was born in 1832, in Massachusetts; was made a Mason at Alton, Ill., in 1858; and, having rendered much service to the craft, was elected Grand Master in 1890. He died at Godfrey, Ill., in June last.

During the year seven lodges had been constituted and consecrated; and eight new lodges were instituted.

The laying of the corner stone of the new Masonic orphans' home at LaGrange was what he called "the event of the year." Eight other corner stones were laid; and, in person or by proxy, he dedicated eight Masonic halls.

When tidings of the dreadful disaster at the Cherry mine reached the Grand Master he issued an appeal to the craft for assistance, and in response to the appeal \$6,535.24 was contributed and sent to the relief of the sufferers.

At the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in 1909, the Grand Master was empowered to enter into correspondence with the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands, proposing mutual recognition and an exchange of representatives. The result of the correspondence was the establishment of fraternal intercourse between the two grand bodies.

A Master of a lodge having conferred the degrees of Masonry upon a candidate physically disqualified, the Grand Master deposed him from the office of Worshipful Master. The Grand Lodge suspended the offending brother from all privileges of Masonry indefinitely.

Another Master of a lodge was charged with offences "of a very serious nature," and the Grand Master deposed him from office, suspended him from all Masonic privileges, and reported the facts to Grand Lodge. Upon report of the committee to which the case was referred, the accused was expelled.

The Grand Master appointed Past Grand Master A. H. Bell his deputy to attend the convention of Grand Masters at Baltimore in 1909. The action of the Convention respecting the possible formation of a national Grand Lodge was largely framed by Bro. Bell, and was

to the effect that none of the participants had any desire or intention to promote such a scheme.

He desired R. W. Bro. Darrah, the Deputy Grand Master, to attend a meeting at Alexandria, Virginia, to take steps to erect a suitable memorial to the memory of Washington, the Mason. Bro. Darrah reported in favor of such memorial, and the Grand Master submitted the report for the consideration of Grand Lodge, but no action appears to have been taken.

The Grand Lodge maintains two Masonic homes, an orphanage, which is in temporary quarters in Chicago, pending the erection of a permanent home at LaGrange; and a home for adults at Sullivan. At the end of the year there were 65 inmates of the orphanage, and the expenditure for maintenance was about \$5,000. At the Sullivan home there were 98 inmates at the end of the year. The expenditure was \$24,076.28.

M. W. Bro. Owen Scott, for the Committee on Correspondence, reported against recognition of the National Grand Lodge of Egypt, and the report was adopted.

Respecting the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, it reported that the body heretofore bearing the name Valle de Mexico was a "mongrel constituency," that rival factions are now squabbling for the territory, and that the Grand Lodge of Illinois is fortunate in "avoiding entangling alliances with such questionable bodies as are shown to exist in the Mexican republic."

An amendment to the constitution was adopted that fees for the three degrees shall in future be not less in any part of the state than \$25; and in cities having 50,000 or more inhabitants the fee shall not be less than \$50.

The Foreign Correspondence is conducted by M. W. Bro. Owen Scott, who feels that, following such men as Joseph Robbins and Edward Cook, he will be required to put forth his best effort. Well, the 250 pages of his report show that, if his best effort is not there, he has put good thought, hard work and superior ability into the review of the 66 Grand Lodge proceedings dealt with by him. He is quite free in the expression of his opinions—possibly too free. But that raises the question: What is the foreign correspondent expected to do? In one state they do not allow him to express any

opinion, nor to offer any criticism. Bro. Scott has a poor opinion of the Grand Lodge Alpina, of Switzerland. It is, he says, "thoroughly in accord with the Grand Orient of France and other atheistic bodies in the 'bad lands' of Southern Europe." He does not like the phrase used in the Canadian proceedings that the Grand Master, when presiding in Grand Lodge was "on the throne." His republican feelings are shocked by the word throne. Well, a throne was originally just a seat. The Century dictionary says that the present meaning of the word is "a seat occupied by a sovereign, bishop or other exalted person." And is not a Grand Master of Masons an exalted person? Fie upon you, Bro. Scott, for trying to belittle the dignity of the highest officer in the craft. But, on the other hand, he does not like the word clothing applied in this jurisdiction to the apron and collar worn by Grand Lodge officers. To that it may be said that the word regalia is wholly misapplied when used for Masonic clothing. Regalia are the trappings of kings.

Speaking of Masonic homes, Bro. Scott has this excellent thing to say of the brethren who find a retreat there:

In Illinois we regard them as "members" of our Home family and get as far as possible away from the institutional idea of "inmates." This may be a good name to use of people in poor houses, insane asylums and other institutions, but in Masonry our needy ones are brothers and are invested with a title more tender and fraternal.

Lodges 780; members 101,692; a net gain of 5,703.

Albert B. Ashley, Decatur, Grand Master.

Isaac Cutter, Camp Point, Grand Secretary.

On the 31st of December, 1910, just as the old year was closing, Gen. John Corson Smith, Past Grand Master of Masons in Illinois, was called to the Grand Lodge above. He had served his country well in the civil war, and had served Masonry in many capacities for many years. Grand Master Ashley in his circular announcing the sad event, said: "Perhaps no Mason ever occupied a more important place as the servant of his brethren than did John Corson Smith. He was doubtless the most extensive traveler and best known Mason in the world."

INDIANA.

The ninetieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Indiana was opened at Indianapolis May 23, 1911. Willam Ridley Grand Master. Lodges represented 530; unrepresented 6. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were in the East. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, R. W. Bro. Elias J. Jacoby, was present.

Before the formal opening the brethren were called to order, and W. Bro. Charles P. Benedict delivered an eloquent and instructive address on "The Great Light of Masonry."

In his address the Grand Master said:

I am delighted to report to the Grand Lodge that this year has been the greatest in the history of Masonry in this State in increase in numbers. And while the increase has been extraordinary, yet I am assured that the high standard which Masonry insists upon and requires of those who would become members of the Institution has been maintained by the officers and members of the Subordinate Lodges.

He was called upon to deplore the loss by death of no less than three Past Grand Masters—Isaac P. Leyden, who was Grand Master in 1888; Simon P. Gillett, who was Grand Master in 1896; and Lucien A. Foote, who was Grand Master in 1874, and was, at the time of his death, the senior Past Grand Master of the state.

Four lodges were constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were issued for the formation of six new lodges.

Seven Masonic halls were dedicated, and five corner stones laid during the year.

Last year the Grand Lodge dues were increased from 25 cents per member to 50 cents, and the increase was placed to the credit of the Masons' Widows' and Orphans' Home fund. The result is declared to be "very satisfactory," and "surely gratifying to us all," by the Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Daniel McDonald reviews the proceedings of other Grand Lodges with ability, kindness and discretion. Bro. McDonald says that, last winter, he fell upon ice and dislocated his arm and sustained other injuries, on which account he asks for some indulgence. It is evident that his intellect, his Masonic knowledge, and his big heart suffered no fracture, and his report is as good as ever. He acknowledges that he employed all

the working tools of a Master Reviewer, the pen, the pencil, the scissors and the paste-pot, and it is certain that he employed them well.

To one statement of Bro. McDonald we must make objection. He says:

In Royal Arch Chapters, Royal and Select Masters, Knights Templar and the Scottish Rite—there is no more Ancient Craft Masonry about any of these orders than there is about the Order of the Eastern Star. We have been through all of them and believe we understand the teachings of all of them.

The Royal Arch work was formerly a part of the Craft work, worked in Craft lodges, and is but a continuation of the Craft degrees. Craft work permeates and informs all the degrees of the Scottish Rite. No man can be a member of any of the bodies spoken of by Bro. McDonald unless he is a member in good standing of a Craft lodge. Can any one of these assertions be made of the order of the Eastern Star?

Lodges 546, including 6 under dispensation; members 57,499, an increase of 2,789.

William H. Swintz, South Bend, Grand Master.

Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis, Grand Secretary.

IOWA.

Sixty-seventh Annual Communication, held at Waterloo, June 14, 1910. David Watherup Clements Grand Master. Lodges represented 470; unrepresented 50. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present.

Before the assembling of Grand Lodge the members formed in procession, and marched to a theater. The procession was escorted by a body of Knights Templar, and marched to the music of two bands. At the theater the audience was composed of Masons and citizens, including many ladies, and speeches were made. In the course of his speech the Grand Master explained that "these public exercises are not peculiar to Masonry except Iowa Masonry."

In his formal address, after the opening of Grand Lodge, the Grand Master explained at some length the proceedings at the two conferences of Grand Masters held at Philadelphia and Baltimore. He approves of such conferences, but is decidedly of opinion that a National Grand Lodge would be "an unwieldy body, an unnecessary piece of machinery; and, if composed of a convenient number of members, the brethren of the lodges would be deprived of a voice in its councils."

He approved of the advancement of a brother who, after his initiation, had lost a foot.

He declined to approve the reception and initiation of an officer of the United States army who had resided in the state less than the time prescribed by the constitution, and who was frequently moved from post to post; but only because he believed that the constitution gave him no power to act in the matter.

A lodge passed a by-law exempting from payment of dues, except Grand Lodge dues, all members who had paid dues for twenty years. The Grand Master ruled that the lodge must collect regular dues from all its members except those remitted for inability to pay.

He strongly censured smoking in the lodge rooms.

The trustees of the charity fund reported a permanent fund of nearly \$30,000 invested, and nearly \$7,000 paid out in benevolence during the year.

The Iowa brethren own a Masonic library of which they are very proud, and it is housed in a building at Cedar Rapids of which they have a right to boast. This library was begun sixty years ago by Theodore S. Parvin, the father of the present Grand Secretary. It has now grown to be a really magnificent collection of books.

The foreign correspondence is in the hands of R. W. Bro. Louis Block, who fills 225 pages with interesting and valuable material. He is pronounced in his views, and we cannot always agree with his conclusions; but it is pleasant to find a man who has something to say, and is not afraid to say it. He does not like the Canadian law which forbids the use of lodge rooms to non-Masonic bodies, including the society of the Eastern Star. He says: "It may be that the Grand Master was following the strict letter of the law, and that such a law should never be violated. Yet, at the same time, we cannot help feeling that if we had been in his place we would have been strongly tempted to violate it." Well, we venture the prediction that, when Bro. Block comes to be chief head and ruler of the craft in Iowa, he will promise to obey the fundamental law of the order, and that he will keep his promise.

Nor does he like the habit Canadian lodges have of going to church occasionally, as lodges, and wearing Masonic clothing. He says: "We have always under-

stood that it was one of the fundamental principles of Masonry that it should have no entangling alliances of any sort whatever with the church, and that the separation of lodge and church was one of the fundamental Masonic tenets." Well, Bro. Block's knowledge of Masonic law is wider than ours. Still, we have known some very good Masons who have gone to church, and have not suffered from the experiment morally or otherwise. Masonry is supposed to broaden men, and to make them tolerant of opinions which they cannot wholly share. Some good Masons have been willing to admit that, while they believed themselves to be right, those who differed from them might not be wholly wrong. And then the clergymen who officiate at these services are generally Masons, and when they are not they are careful to say nothing which could offend members of other denominations. Lastly, the collections taken at the church services are for charitable purposes, and the recipients of the beneficence never pause to ask about the theological leanings of the Masons who gave it. And right here we may copy Bro. Block's remark that "the methods and work of Canadian Masons along charitable lines could well be followed and imitated by every other Grand Jurisdiction."

The printed report of Bro. Parvin is a model of typographical excellence, while as a literary production it is beyond all praise.

Lodges 522; members 42,612, an increase of 1,537.

Frederick W. Craig, Des Moines, Grand Master.

Newton R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary.

IRELAND.

The principal information we have respecting the Grand Lodge of Ireland is contained in the address of the Deputy Grand Master, Sir James Creed Meredith, LL.D., which address was delivered at a stated communication held on St. John's Day, December, 1910.

In opening Sir James referred in feeling terms to the great loss the craft throughout the world had sustained by the death of King Edward, and said that a memorial service had been held in St. Andrew's church on the day of the funeral.

Our Irish brethren have many titled men among their office-bearers. The Duke of Abercorn is Grand

Master; Sir James Creed Meredith is Deputy Grand Master; Lord Plunket is Grand Secretary; and his father, the Archbishop of Dublin, held several Grand Lodge offices, while an uncle, Lord Rathmore, had held the office of Grand Senior Deacon. Lord Rathdonnell is Senior Grand Warden; the Earl of Donoughmore, Junior Grand Warden. The Bishop of Down (now Lord Primate of Ireland), Grand Chaplain, Sir W. J. Goulding, Senior Grand Deacon; Right Hon. J. H. Campbell, Junior Grand Deacon; Sir Maurice Dockrell, Grand Steward, and Gerald Fitzgibbon, son of the late Chief Justice Fitzgibbon, is Grand Sword Bearer.

Six warrants had been issued during the year to new lodges.

Subscriptions to the benevolent funds, Sir James said, would suffice to add at least a thousand guineas to each of the great charities of the order in Ireland.

The Girls' School educates and maintains 210 daughters of deceased Masons, at an annual charge of £4,400; the Boys' School maintains 96 boys, at an annual cost of £3,600; and grants were made from the Charity Fund to the amount of £427.

Sir James said that he had served Grand Lodge for the full term of thirty-three years; and, in consequence of advancing years, he would be compelled to retire. Apparently he was not permitted to do so, for his name appears in the list of officers for 1911.

Ireland has 427 lodges on its register. The number of Masons is not given, but it is said to be about 50,000.

The Duke of Abercorn is Grand Master; Sir James Creed Meredith Deputy Grand Master; Lord Plunket Grand Secretary; Henry E. Flavelle Deputy Grand Secretary. Bro Flavelle is the acting Grand Secretary, and to him communications should be addressed at Freemasons' Hall, Molesworth Street, Dublin.

KANSAS

The fifty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kansas was opened at Kansas City, Kansas, February 15, 1911. Marion K. Brundage Grand Master. Lodges represented 317; unrepresented 73. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present; also the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, W. Bro. John C. Ketcheson.

The Grand Master, Grand Officers, and a number of distinguished brethren from Missouri were received with honors.

In his address the Grand Master noted the death of M. W. Bro. John Calvin Postlethwaite, who was Grand Master in 1890; and of M. W. Bro. Samuel R. Peters, who was Grand Master in 1905. To each he paid high tribute, as men who had well served their order and their fellow men.

He spoke earnestly of the duties which Masons owe, not only to their brethren, but to all mankind. He said:

We all have a part to play in the settlement of life's problems, in the adjustment of the conditions existing between classes and interests and in the correction of the evils which threaten the moral welfare of our communities and there are no higher duties devolving upon us as Masons than to put the lessons of our art into concrete daily practice, meeting our responsibilities in this direction with true hearts, a firm purpose, and an unwavering determination to the end that the glory of our Institution may be reflected in the individual effort of every member of our Craft.

During the year charters had been granted to two lodges under dispensation; dispensations had been issued for the formation of four new lodges; and application had been received for eight others, action upon which was postponed.

Eight corner stones were laid by the Grand Master or his deputies.

The Masonic Home maintained an average family of 85 persons, and the cost of maintenance was \$12,-278.40. This does not include expenditures on the property. The home now has investments of more than \$20,000.

The Grand Orator, Bro. Silas W. Porter, delivered an eloquent and instructive address. In the course of it he said:

There was a case in the Supreme Court, several cases in fact, in which the Masonic Order and every member of that Order in the State was interested. It was a question whether the property of Masonic lodges should be held exempt from taxation under certain statutes and constitutional provisions making property owned by benevolent and charitable orders exempt from such burdens. The case came to Court from three District Courts, two of which had decided in favor of the Masonic lodge and one against it. It is a fact worthy of note that the attorneys on both sides of all the cases were members of the Masonic order. The attorney general and the county attorneys who argued before the Supreme Court that the property of the Masonic Order was not exempt were Masons. The judges of the District Courts who

decided the cases in favor of the lodge and the judge who held against the lodge were all members of the Masonic Order. Every one of the seven justices of the Supreme Court at that time was a Master Mason. Only six of the justices sat in the case for the reason that the principal case on behalf of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge was brought in the name of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, who happened to be a justice of the Supreme Court, and while he was no more interested in the result than any of the other justices, he was nominally a party, and for that reason saw fit not to participate in the decision. You all know the result, and that the decision was unanimously in favor of the State and against the Masonic lodge, except in one case from Wichita, where it was held by a divided court that the Masonic Home for Orphans came within the definition of benevolent and charitable orders, and that its property was therefore exempt. It is to the credit of Masonry that I can say that from the day the decision was handed down I have never heard of a criticism of the decision or a complaint from a member of the Order. The Masonic lodges throughout the State accepted the judgment of the court as final and have proceeded to govern themselves accordingly.

The Foreign Correspondence is conducted by M. W. Bro. Matthew M. Miller, who does his work in a workmanlike manner. There is reason to fear, however, that he is to some extent carried away by the spirit of innovation. He says, for example:

We think the command now is to "Go forward to the unification of Masonry. It must be unified; it can no longer exist "discordant, dissevered, belligerent."

Which means, of course, if it means anything, that when some aggregation of men calling themselves Masons depart from the ancient landmarks and establish some new Masonic monstrosity, all the regular Grand Lodges in the world ought to grasp their hands and welcome them to the Masonic brotherhood. Now, how much would Brother Miller sacrifice? Would he, for example, recognize the Grand Orient of France, which has removed the volume of the Sacred Law from its altars, and refuses to acknowledge the Great Architect of the Universe? Or the Grand Lodge of Romania, which acknowledges that it exists under the auspices of the Grand Orient of Italy? Or the Grand Lodge of Turkey, which acknowledges that its independence may be taken from it by the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite? Masonry has flourished, and will continue to flourish, by adhering to the original scheme, and not by hunting around for false gods to worship.

He says we have misinterpreted him, in thinking he meant that it is "only a question of time" until Canada

would recognize the Eastern Star, when all he meant was that it is only a question of time till Canadian Masons will open their lodge rooms to the societies of the ladies named. Well, if you open your lodge rooms to the order of the Eastern Star, why not to the Odd Fellows, or the Knights of Pythias, or the Knights of Columbus, or the Ancient Order of Hibernians? Where will you draw the line?

Bro. Miller has an excellent table giving the number of Masons in the world; and he figures out that there are about 1,900,000 of us.

Lodges in Kansas 394; members 35,496.

Alexander A. Sharp, Topeka, Grand Master.

Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY.

One hundred and tenth Annual Communication, held at Louisville, commencing October 18, 1910. John M. Cowles Grand Master. Twenty Past Grand Masters were present. Lodges represented 540; unrepresented 17.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master said:

The year has been a fruitful one for Freemasonry in this jurisdiction, which is now at a greater height of prosperity, popularity and progress than it has ever reached before. Brethren have been added to our numbers until the rolls of the workmen contain over 36,000 names, showing a splendid increase truly, and I believe that the ballot box has been well and duly guarded. I am glad of the numbers for I am not one who believes we can have too many coadjutors in the great work of Masonry.

Among the lamented dead are M. W. Bro. John Alexander Ramsey, who was Grand Master in 1899-1900; and the Grand Chaplain, the Rev. James W. Rogers.

A Master of a lodge presented himself at a lodge meeting in an intoxicated condition. He was suspended until the meeting of Grand Lodge. Apparently the suspension then ended, for, while the committee approved the action of Grand Lodge, it made no further recommendation.

Few decisions were made, the Grand Master generally referring enquirers to the constitution. One decision which he did give will appear strange to Canadian Masons. It was to the effect that a lodge is at labor while the public installation of its officers is in progress. Thus it is ruled that, in Kentucky, the public may be present

when the lodge is at labor. And, the thin edge of the wedge having been entered, where will it stop?

A dispensation to hold a Masonic funeral over a brother who had been buried three months was refused.

The Grand Master laid six corner stones during the year; and four others were laid by deputies appointed by him.

Eleven lodges under dispensation were constituted and consecrated, and four lodge rooms were dedicated.

In December, 1909, a little girl named Alma Kellner, the daughter of a Mason, in Louisville, was missing. Large rewards were offered for her return, and the Grand Master issued a circular asking all Masons to assist in finding her. Several weeks later the mutilated and partly burned body of the little girl was found in the basement of a Roman Catholic parochial school. At the time of issuing the report the alleged murderer was in jail awaiting trial.

The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico and the Grand Lodge Swiss Alpina having asked for recognition, the Grand Master recommended that the committee on Proceedings of Grand Lodge "devote its attention and ascertain and inform this M. W. Grand Lodge at its next annual communication of conditions of Grand Lodges of the F. & A. M. York Rite, and of Grand Orients of Supreme Councils of the A. & A. Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in foreign countries, especially France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, Mexico, and the Central and South American states, with the view of establishing, wherever possible and permissible, fraternal Masonic relations with such bodies." The committee reported that it would be wise to defer action respecting the Grand Lodges Swiss Alpina, Valle de Mexico and El Salvador. The committee will have its hands full getting information respecting the other bodies named by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master spoke enthusiastically of the Masonic Home, which appears to be doing excellent work.

M. W. Bro. W. W. Clarke is chairman of the committee on Proceedings of Grand Lodges, who selects judiciously, summarizes comprehensively and comments wisely. Under Alabama he says he cannot understand why the dues of a brother under suspension should ac-

cumulate. "As a mere matter of justice," he thinks, a brother should "not be required to pay for the maintenance of a membership from which he was suspended." Well, there are several ways of looking at that. A member under suspension for non-payment of dues is deprived of his Masonic privileges, but he retains some Masonic rights, among them (in Alabama) the right to restoration on payment of his dues. If he could restore himself by merely paying the sum due at the time of his suspension, he might remain under suspension till the approach of old age or infirmity, then restore himself and at once claim assistance. That very thing has been done in this jurisdiction. A lodge should have some measure of protection against dead beats. But here (and it is probably the same in other jurisdictions) the lodge may remit part or all of the dues owing by a brother seeking restoration.

He objects to the decision given in this jurisdiction that a man partially blind is not eligible as a candidate. Well, now, Bro. Clark, do you think that a man who cannot distinguish a Masonic sign ought to be received?

He notes that in our review of 1909, the presence of Grand Master Todd at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky was recorded, and adds:

This was the last communication at which this venerable Brother was present, and the last that he will attend. His long labors have been completed; his attendance is now at the Grand Lodge above where the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides.

Lodges 557, including eight under dispensation; members 35,983, a gain of 1737.

Robert R. Burnam, Richmond, Grand Master.

H. B. Grant, Louisville, Grand Secretary.

LOUISIANA.

The ninety-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana was opened at New Orleans February 6, 1911. John S. Thibaut Grand Master. Lodges represented 163; unrepresented 48. Seven past Grand Masters of the jurisdiction were present, and one from Arkansas. R. W. Bro. N. B. Null, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, was present.

After a fraternal welcome to the members of Grand Lodge and its visitors, the Grand Master congratulated the brethren upon the prosperity of the craft in Louis-

iana, and the harmony which existed throughout the jurisdiction. Relief had been given to needy brethren whenever it was needed, and there was still a balance in the benevolent fund. In each case he had required the lodge to give an amount equal to the grant from the Grand Lodge. A proposal is before the brethren to establish a Masonic home in the state. Personally, the Grand Master is not in favor of building a home, "as the results in other states have not yet demonstrated it to be the best method for ministering to the wants of those dependent upon us." He acknowledged the receipt of \$5,000 from Bro. J. F. Popp for the home fund; and the Grand Lodge subsequently passed a vote of thanks to the generous brother.

He ruled that betting on ball games is "at best only a venial offence," and he might have added that it is impossible to stop it.

He doubted the propriety of allowing work to be done in any of the degrees of Masonry without at least seven members being present.

He was of opinion that no action should be taken against a brother who acknowledges a belief in God, but who does not believe in the immortality of the soul; and he ruled that "no other religious test is necessary than the profession of the candidate's belief in the existence of a Supreme Being."

Any brother might, he decided, be permitted by the Master of a lodge to work any of the degrees in the presence of the Master.

The Grand Secretary reported that, during the year, charters had been issued to five lodges under dispensation; and seven dispensations for the formation of new lodges.

The Foreign Correspondence is conducted by a committee, of which R. W. Bro. Herman C. Duncan is the chairman. The work is well and conscientiously done, but the report errs on the side of brevity. In his excellent summary of doings in this jurisdiction Bro. Duncan says:

He (M. W. Bro. Macwatt) ruled that a Warden could not give the O. B. This may be according to a local regulation, but on general principles we dissent. There is no better training for the Wardens than to appoint them to confer degrees. We speak from experience—while Junior Warden, as well as while Senior

Warden we conferred degrees, and as a consequence when elected Master we came to the office quite ready for its duties.

It is merely a question of law. The Canadian constitution says that a Warden, in the absence of the Master, may rule the lodge, but may not work degrees. The Grand Master ruled accordingly. The law may be right or it may be wrong; but so long as it is the law it must be obeyed.

Lodges 211; members 13,802; an increase of 725.

John S. Thibaut, Donaldsonville, Grand Master.

Richard Lambert, New Orleans, Grand Secretary.

MAINE

The ninety-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine was opened at Portland May 3, 1910. Edmund B. Mallett Grand Master. Lodges represented 196; unrepresented 5. Eight Past Grand Masters were present.

The past year, the Grand Master said, had been one of peace and harmony; the increase in membership had been healthy; and the quality of the material accepted had been excellent.

One of the notable events of the year was the celebration of its centennial by Maine Lodge, No. 20.

Bro. Mallett attended the conference of Masons at Baltimore in 1909, and appears to approve of such conferences.

The Committee on Jurisprudence recommended that, as Maine had a constitution very carefully prepared, and decisions well understood, all satisfactory to the Masons of the state, "very strong reasons should be assigned to warrant any change in the jurisprudence of Maine." For that reason the committee recommended that no action should be taken looking to national conferences, which might lead to complications. The report was adopted.

The District Deputy Grand Masters appear to have visited all, or nearly all, of the lodges in the state; and their reports are full and interesting. They appear to have witnessed work and to have looked into the financial standing of the lodges. Nevertheless, the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, in its report, said: "With due appreciation of the labors and fidelity of the District Deputy Grand Masters, we would kindly sug-

gest that they make the inspection of lodges the primary object of their visitations." Doubtless there was something behind the returns which called for the reproof, but, on the face of the reports, it was undeserved. And just here one may ask, if the District Deputies are competent men, and if they faithfully do their duty, what need is there for a Grand Lecturer? In Maine the District Deputies are appointed by the Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Albro E. Chase is chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and presents an excellent and carefully prepared report covering the proceedings of seventy-three Grand Lodges. For the most part he contents himself with a narrative of the proceedings reviewed. When he permits himself to comment or criticise his observations are brief and pointed. For example, in referring to the making of President Taft a Mason "at sight," he gets at the nub of the thing by saying "Since the Constitution of Ohio recognizes the right of the Grand Master to make Masons at sight, there need be no comment on that event." Which seems to be about right.

Referring to the conferences of Grand Masters he says:

With one exception the conferences appear to have been taken for what they really were and not that they were to be the forerunner of a General Grand Lodge. It seems to us that some of the most vital questions appertaining to peace and harmony were not discussed. However, in time, all differences may be eliminated and all may recognize the same rights over candidates, and how near to a "perfect youth" one must be to be eligible for Masonry.

Lodges 203; members 28,328; an increase of 464.

Rev. Ashley A. Smith, Belfast, Grand Master.

Millard F. Hicks, Portland, Grand Secretary.

MANITOBA

Thirty-fifth Annual Communication, held at Winnipeg June 8, 1910. James D. Baine Grand Master. Lodges represented 65; unrepresented 2. Eight Past Grand Masters were present, including the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, M. W. and Most Reverend Bro. S. P. Matheson. There was also a very large attendance of Past Grand officers.

In his address the Grand Master said: "It is a pleasure to report that our relations with foreign and

sister Grand Jurisdictions continue most friendly and cordial, while throughout our own jurisdiction harmony and prosperity prevail."

Lodges of Instruction were held in seven districts during the year, of which five were attended by the Grand Master. He speaks enthusiastically of the good results of these meetings, such as improvement in the work, and greater intimacy and cordiality among the brethren.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts of \$6,299.10, and expenditures of \$6,715.03. The expenditures, however, included payments of \$500 each to the new Grand Lodges of Alberta and Saskatchewan and \$2,350 to various benevolent funds.

The Grand Secretary reported that one new lodge had received its warrant, and dispensations had been issued for the formation of three new lodges.

The amount now at the credit of the Aged and Indigent Masons' fund is more than \$20,000.

Lodges 70; members 5,151; a gain of 597.

Geo. W. Baker, Winnipeg, Grand Master.

James A. Ovas, Winnipeg, Grand Secretary.

MARYLAND.

The Grand Lodge of Maryland met in Semi-annual Communication at Baltimore May 10, 1910. James R. Brewer, Deputy Grand Master, in the East.

The meeting was for the purpose of dealing with the ordinary business of Grand Lodge, which is not of interest to readers outside the jurisdiction.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence reported in favor of recognizing the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. Action on the report was postponed to the Annual Communication; but when that communication was held the subject dropped out of sight.

Two special communications were held, both for the purpose of laying corner stones.

The 124th Annual Communication was opened at Baltimore November 15, 1910. Thomas J. Shryock Grand Master. Lodges represented 114; unrepresented 0.

The address of the Grand Master was very brief, dealing with none of the ordinary business of Grand Lodge, and detailing none of his doings for the year. He said:

During the past year there has been absolute harmony and peace among the craft in our State. We are in harmonious relations with every Grand Lodge in the world. Our Lodges are gradually increasing, the character of the material received into them is above reproach, and the work done in the lodges is fully up to the standard; the Lodges of Relief and Lodge of Instruction are largely attended. We have everything to rejoice for at the end of this our one hundred and twenty-third year, with perhaps one touch of sadness in that the hand of affliction has been laid upon our venerable Grand Secretary, who I know has the respect, the regard and sympathy of every Mason in the State, I feel it is a great pleasure to you to welcome him, though suffering with pain and weakness, to the Grand Lodge to-night; on your behalf, and on my own and on behalf of the whole fraternity, I bid him a hearty welcome again to his old place.

He strongly urged upon the brethren the duty of aiding to erect at Alexandria, Virginia, a suitable memorial to Washington, the Mason.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Thomas Jacob Shryock, at this communication, completed a quarter of a century of continuous service as Grand Master; and at the election he was unanimously chosen for the twenty-sixth time. Before the installation the members of Grand Lodge and their visitors repaired to the corridor, where a beautiful bas relief of Bro. Shryock was unveiled with appropriate speeches.

On returning to the lodge room, Bro. Charles C. Homer, chairman of a committee acting for the Masons of Maryland, presented to the Grand Master, a magnificent loving cup. This, he explained, was made from silver contributed by the 15,000 Masons of the jurisdiction, and was a masterly product of the skill of a Maryland brother, so that it was in no sense the gift of Grand Lodge. It was the spontaneous offering of the brethren, and no one brother was permitted to contribute toward it to the value of more than one dollar. Eloquent and feeling addresses of congratulation were delivered by M. W. Bro. Guthrie, Grand Master of Pennsylvania; M. W. Bro. William B. McChesney, Grand Master of Virginia; Past Grand Master R. T. W. Duke, Past Grand Master of Virginia; M. W. Bro. George B. Or lady, Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania; and R. W. Bro. James R. Brewer, Deputy Grand Master of Maryland.

Bro. Shryock was then duly installed for the twenty-sixth consecutive term.

The Foreign Correspondence is ably handled by R. W. Bro. Edward T. Schultz. We shall not forgive Bro. Schultz for forgetting that there is in Masonry such a body as the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, and we do not always agree with him in opinion; but he is a good editor of Foreign Correspondence for all that. He reported in favor of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, wherein he was led astray; but he is in good company there. His summary of the doings of the Grand Lodges is excellent, and his views are generally sound.

Lodges 114; members about 15,000.

Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore, Grand Master.

George Cook, Baltimore, Grand Secretary.

MASSACHUSETTS.

During the calendar year 1910 the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts held four quarterly communications and eleven special communications. Dana J. Flanders Grand Master. The special communications were for various purposes, two of them for the constitution of new lodges.

At the quarterly communication held in March the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was recognized.

Announcement was made that nearly \$140,000 had been paid or pledged to the fund of the Masonic home, the contributions for the year being more than \$9,000.

At the quarterly communication held in June appreciative and fraternal reference was made to the death of King Edward the Seventh, and a letter was read, sent at the time of His Majesty's death, of regret and sympathy.

A marble bust of Washington, presented by a Past Grand Warden, was accepted and placed in the East of the Grand Lodge room.

The quarterly meeting in December was particularly the Annual Communication. M. W. Bro. Dana J. Flanders, the Grand Master, was in the Grand East. Four Past Grand Masters were present. Lodges represented 193; unrepresented 49.

The Grand Master congratulated the brethren upon progress, prosperity and the auspicious outlook for the future. He announced that the various charity funds amounted to the magnificent total of \$499,813.87, show-

ing an increase for the year of more than \$70,000. It is evident that our Massachusetts brethren do not neglect the most important of Masonic duties.

The Grand Master recommended recognition of the International Bureau of Masonic Affairs at Neufchatel, Switzerland; Grand Lodge subsequently approved the recommendation, and a sum of \$25 was voted in aid of the bureau.

A stated communication was held on the 27th of December for the purpose of installing the Grand Officers elect, which was followed by "the grand feast." We do not copy into these pages many of the "flowers of oratory" which bloom at Masonic banquets; but no apology need be offered for copying from the remarks of Bro. Flanders in proposing the toast to "those who are not with us to-day." He said:

To those who are in that "far, far country," whose voices it seems at times we can almost hear in the murmuring of the breeze at twilight, in the laughter of the breeze at dawn; whose faces come to us in the dreams that hold us through the long hours when we sit and think upon old times, whose hands we sometimes almost touch as we reach to the dim veil that hangs between this world and the world of theirs beyond the mountain peaks that stand between time and eternity,—to them let us drink the love and friendship which, because it is love and friendship, is as eternal as the stars and undying as the soul. Let us send to them over and over every happy word and thought and smile, every gladness they gave us while they were with us, for to them it is given to know that when we are happy here they may be happier there. God bless them! the absent ones who are always with us!

And, while we are in the way of quotation, let us copy from an eloquent address delivered by Bro. the Rev. W. Ashby Jones, of Georgia:

Who is your God? I can answer that and tell you what God you worship when you answer me, Who is your fellow man? Masonry answers that question, and it seems to me that in its initial ceremony it answers it by putting a tremendous emphasis upon the worth of a human life. Stripped of all accidents and incidents of life, of all adornments and all traditional and hereditary entitlements that may come to that life, stripped and naked, only a man, just a man, unnamed and unadorned. Masonry, with all its tremendous traditional sentiment and teaching of our great organization says, "Here is the priceless thing in all the world, a man!" That babe, born into the world, before he has been touched by clothing, before he has received the name that shall carry with it the tradition and the associations of the position that he shall bear in after life,—the babe, simply born of a woman—oh, of many, many women,—oh, men and brethren, that babe is worth all the world

of things, more precious than all the Golconda's wealth,—that babe, just because it is a babe, has within him the potentiality of the divine; and when these burning stars up yonder have counted in circles and graceful curves the last epoch of the time on earth, and have gone out in darkness, that babe, with the spark of divine immortality, shall go on more radiant and gathering glory into the countless eons of eternity.

There is no Foreign Correspondence.

Lodges 241; members 58,679, an increase of 4,248.

Dana J. Flanders, Malden, Grand Master.

Thomas W. Davis, Boston, Grand Secretary.

MICHIGAN

Sixty-sixth Annual Communication, held at Saginaw, May 24, 1910, Arthur M. Hume, Grand Master. Lodges represented 405; unrepresented 11. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present, and forty-three representatives of sister jurisdictions, including M. W. Bro. John Rowson, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada. M. W. Bros. William T. Mitchell, who was Grand Master in 1865, and Abraham T. Metcalf, who was Grand Master in 1869-70, were received with honors.

Grand Master Hume reported harmony among the brethren and prosperity throughout the jurisdiction. "We have," he said, "grown stronger, and, we hope, better."

Dispensations had been issued during the year for the formation of four new lodges; and four lodges under dispensation had been constituted and consecrated. Eight new Masonic temples were dedicated, and eleven corner stones were laid during the year.

Bro. Hume was active in attending lodges of instruction, and particularly so in following the visits of the Grand Lecturer through the upper peninsula of the state.

During the year a committee had revised the regulations. The only amendment proposed which is of general interest is that respecting physical disqualification. The committee held that the subordinate lodge ought to be the judge of a candidate's qualifications, "guided in their decisions only by the ancient landmarks."

The Grand Master approves of Masonic conferences such as that held at Philadelphia in 1909, and thinks that a "definitely organized body" should be formed, and that this body ought to have "authority to deliber-

ate and recommend unanimously to all jurisdictions participating such measures as may seem wise and beneficial to the craft, always maintaining the individuality of each jurisdiction and the sovereign rights of its constituent lodges." It is probable that Grand Lodges, jealous of their independence, will fear to approve such a plan.

In February, 1910, the Masonic home at Ramona Park was burned, and the Grand Master makes an earnest appeal for support from the craft in building a new home, and providing a solid and substantial endowment. Authority was given to purchase a property for the sum of \$60,000.

The Grand Lodge Alpina, of Switzerland, was recognized, and the Grand Master was given power to exchange representatives with it.

The Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Lou B. Winsor, conducts the foreign correspondence, and fills 400 pages with very interesting matter. By a law of the Grand Lodge the correspondent is restrained from criticising the doings of other grand lodge bodies or the laws and regulations of any Grand Lodge. This leaves him free only to tell his readers what is going on in the Masonic world. This he does, and does well.

Number of lodges 412; members 63,022; an increase of 2323.

G. Roscoe Swift, Adrian, Grand Master.

Lou B. Winsor, Reed City, Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA.

The forty-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was opened at St. Paul January 18, 1911. William B. Patton Grand Master. Lodges represented 222; unrepresented 31. Eleven Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master reported the death, in August last, of Charles W. Nash, who served five terms as Grand Master. Bro. Patton says: "As chief executive of his city, in the legislative halls of his state, and on the field of battle he ever served with devotion and honor."

During the year two lodges were constituted and three corner stones laid.

Only two decisions were given: (1) The constitution of the Grand Lodge permits exemption from dues

after a brother has paid dues for twenty-five years; but the term cannot be shortened by paying in advance. (2) The resolution of the Grand Lodge, adopting work and lectures for the jurisdiction, passed at the communication of 1869, does not permit the use of robes, scenery or other accessories in the conferring of the degrees, which were not used at the exemplification before the Grand Lodge at that time.

In April, 1910, he had issued a commission to R. W. Bro. C. W. Haentschel, of Cobalt, to represent the Grand Lodge of Minnesota near the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, in place of M. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, deceased.

He referred to two cases in which clandestines had endeavored to be admitted to legitimate lodges, and urged great care in the examination of visitors.

He had issued an appeal for relief for sufferers by the forest fires of last year, and had received \$2305.25, which was distributed.

He recommended, and Grand Lodge approved, a proper observance of the bi-centennial of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England.

An application for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico was referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which asked for further time to consider.

He recommended, and Grand Lodge approved, co-operation in establishing a memorial to Washington the Mason. Grand Lodge will pay the necessary expenses of its delegates.

He dealt at some length with the question of robes and other accessories to the degree work. He said:

On this subject permit me to say that, in my opinion, the desire to improve upon the rendition of the work is founded on a wrong hypothesis. It seems to be the feeling that the impressiveness and beauty of the degree is increased in proportion to the adornments added thereto. Such, however, is not the case, but, on the contrary, in the very simplicity of the work, as commonly rendered in our Lodges, in the past, and at present, lies its eternal vigor, and continuing power. When once we cease to depend on the unadorned work, and turn to side issues to awaken interest, we step from a rock to a quicksand footing. The new features soon pall upon the taste; and so, others must be added, to maintain the attractiveness; and this must continue ad infinitum until the original purpose and intent of the degree is buried under the accumulated rubbish. Again, too often the work is looked upon as a spectacle to entertain the brethren, rather than, as it is truly intended to be, a sermon to edify the candidate.

The committee to which this part of the address was referred reported that the use of robes and accessories should be left to the sound discretion of the Masters of lodges under supervision of the Grand Master.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that consideration of applications for recognition of Masonic Grand Bodies in Brazil, Portugal, San Domingo and Switzerland should be indefinitely postponed. This was because "definite information" respecting the bodies named was not supplied.

The Grand Treasurer reported \$17,742.27 in the General Fund and \$65,412.74 in the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. No calls were made upon the Widows' and Orphans' Fund during the year.

The foreign correspondence is conducted by Bro. Irving Todd, who presents an excellent digest of the proceedings of sixty-two Grand Lodges. The work is too much condensed. One would like to have more from the skilled hands of the Minnesota historian.

The volume of Proceedings is adorned by a fine portrait of M. W. Bro. William B. Patton, and several views of the new Masonic Temple at St. Paul.

Lodges 253; members 25,800, a gain of 838.

Elmer A. King, Little Falls, Grand Master.

John Fishel, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

MISSOURI

Ninetieth Annual Communication, St. Louis, September 27, 1910. William A. Hall, Grand Master. Lodges represented 413; unrepresented 107.

In noting the loss the Craft throughout the world had suffered by death during the year, the Grand Master paid a tribute to King Edward the seventh, which we take the liberty of copying:

Among those, however, who have recently crossed over the Great Divide are some names so distinguished for their high character and many virtues, as well as their exalted position, that not to name them would be unworthy and unmeet, and among these no one was more widely known or more highly esteemed than he who occupied the most conspicuous position in our great Fraternity, Albert Edward of England, who, accepting and honoring the office of Grand Master of the oldest Grand Lodge in the world, during his history as Prince of Wales, and that of Lord Protector, while King of England, justified his claim to be considered one of the most honored and worthy in the history of our Fraternity

In the difficult and embarrassing position he occupied during the long reign of his exalted mother he bore himself with royal dignity, and during the comparatively short period of kingly authority he fully evidenced his great worth. Probably no monarch in the history of the world has in greater measures labored to spread the cement of brotherly love and unity among the nations than he, and but for him the political and social condition of the Eastern Continent would doubtless have been far less satisfactory to-day.

Peace and harmony, the Grand Master said, had prevailed throughout the jurisdiction during the year, while the numerical growth of the membership had been the greatest in the history of the Grand Lodge.

Many Lodges of Instruction were held during the year under the supervision of the Grand Lecturer. The Grand Master attended a number of these, and most heartily approves of the good work they are doing.

Bro. Hall attended the conference of Grand Masters at Baltimore, and, apparently approves of such meetings.

He has a good word to say for the ladies of the Eastern Star, who "have shown themselves loyal to the fraternity in their endeavor to make the Masonic home all that its most enthusiastic friends could desire."

Some observance of the bi-centenary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England "should have courteous consideration," and he recommended the appointment of a special committee to consider the matter.

The Masonic home received some good words from the Grand Master who visited it on several occasions, and always with satisfaction.

The contributions in aid of the Masonic hospital encourage a belief that the corner stone may be laid in the near future.

Questions respecting physical qualifications of candidates had come to him from many quarters. He says:

The general reply has always been a reference to our Statutes and Decisions, which clearly demand that there must be on the part of every candidate for the mysteries of Freemasonry the unquestioned ability to meet all the requirements of the Ritual. One of our correspondents deserves special mention. He writes seriously that he has understood that in Missouri there is a chance for a one-armed man to be made a Mason. We might have replied that possibly a one-armed Missourian was probably fully equal to a two-armed man from some other Jurisdictions and that his mistake doubtless arose from this consideration.

A number of decisions were made, but turned upon the interpretation of the constitutional law of the Grand Lodge. One is of some general interest: "Held (in a local option contest) that a lodge, as such, has no right to take part in a question which may become a political issue."

The Committee on Recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges reported in favor of dissolving fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica because it maintains fraternal relations with many clandestine bodies, "and has made changes in the essentials of the work;" postponing establishment of fraternal relations with Nicaragua until political conditions in the republic become more settled; continuing fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico; and against establishing fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge Alpina of Switzerland. In considering the case of the last named body, the committee said, "The brotherhood of man cannot exist. cannot even be conceived in the mind of man, independent of the fatherhood of God." All the recommendations of the committee were adopted.

Before Grand Lodge closed an appeal was made for subscriptions in aid of an infirmary for the Masonic home, and \$7,730.80 was subscribed on the spot.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. C. C. Woods, who says he does not understand it to be his duty to fill space with mere exchange of compliments, still less to indulge in severe criticism of other Grand Lodges, or to declare with any pretense of finality the law and landmarks of the order, but only to chronicle, as faithfully and concisely as possible, the more important thought and movement of the Masonic world, to the intent that our brethren may be informed, in measure, of the fraternal history, spirit and expression wherever our order is known." Bro. Woods seems to have got about the right idea, and he carries out that idea in his excellent report.

Lodges 607; members 51,086; an increase of 1998.

Clay C. Bigger, Laclede, Grand Master.

John R. Parson, St. Louis, Grand Secretary.

MONTANA.

The forty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana was opened at Helena September 21,

1910. J. L. Carroll Grand Master. Lodges represented 61; unrepresented 2. Eight Past Grand Masters were present. The name of the representative of Canada does not appear.

The Grand Master reported peace and prosperity throughout the jurisdiction. All the chartered lodges, he said, had increased their membership. Dispensations had been issued for the formation of seven new lodges. He deplored the death of A. J. Davidson, who was Grand Master in 1882; and of A. B. Martin, who had served as Grand Chaplain for many years.

Four special communications had been held, three for the dedication of lodge rooms and one for the laying of a corner stone.

He had decided that a lodge cannot adjourn to a future day; and that citizenship is not a necessary qualification for a candidate.

Eleven inmates of the Masonic Home had been cared for at a cost of less than \$7,000. The Home property and the endowment fund together amount to about \$120,000. And when it is considered that there are not six thousand Masons in Montana, it will be acknowledged that the work of charity receives ample attention. All honor to the Montana brethren.

M. W. Bro. Hepner writes the Foreign Correspondence report, and gives 150 pages of valuable material. Like some other correspondents he is puzzled by the statement that "undress Masonic clothing" may be worn in Canada, and thinks that the "climate of Ontario is somewhat too rigorous for so scant an attire." Consult the Century Dictionary, Brother Hepner, vol. 8, p. 6603, under the head of "undress," second title. But just think of the audacity of this hyperborean, who lives at about latitude 49, talking of the climate of Ontario, to people who live in the latitude of Florence. Caesar tells us that in his time all Gaul was divided into three parts; but that was nothing to the gall of these shivering Montanists. In conclusion Bro. Hepner gives us the impression left on his mind by the sixty-six volumes of Proceedings reviewed. He says:

The volumes of proceedings before us speak from every page the language of fraternity and love and humanity; the mind becomes surcharged with nobler thoughts, higher ideals and better impulses and we almost regret to tear ourselves away from these elevating surroundings.

They show an army of a million and a half human beings arrayed in the habiliments of war against inhumanity, vice, ignorance and superstition, and standing in defence of human rights. virtue, morality and all those glorious attributes of Divinity that tend to help make man in the "image of his Creator."

Lodges 70, including seven under dispensation; members 5,957, a gain of 472.

J. W. Speer, Great Falls, Grand Master.

Cornelius Hedges, Jr., Helena, Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA

Fifty-third Annual Communication, held at Omaha June 7, 1910. Michael A. Dowling Grand Master. Lodges represented 213; unrepresented 31.

In his address the Grand Master tells of the largest increase in membership in the history of the Grand Lodge, of funds ample for all purposes, and of a more conscientious discharge of Masonic duty than at any former time. The Masonic home, he said, "is well and economically managed, the residents are well cared for, and are contented and happy."

During the year two lodges were constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were issued for the formation of six new lodges.

The Grand Master recommends several changes in the constitutional law. (1) Permitting brethren who, for religious or conscientious reasons, wish to demit to do so, without declaring their intention to affiliate with another lodge. At present a member can get out of the order only by suspension, expulsion or death. (2) To provide that the same number of members shall be required to constitute a quorum for a special meeting as for a regular meeting. (3) To require an interval of four weeks between the conferring of degrees. (4) To specify the requirements necessary before a dispensation can be granted for the formation of a new lodge.

In his concluding remarks the Grand Master says:

I am convinced that from the standpoint of social ethics we occupy higher ground today than ever before. While we recognize a substantial progress in our development, and enjoy the pride and satisfaction it inspires within us, it must also serve as admonition of increased responsibility. The world at large demands, and rightly so, a course of personal conduct on the part of the members of our remarkable organization in keeping with the high ideals and exalted station as a moral institution.

The foreign correspondence is in the hands of M. W. Bro. Charles J. Phelps, who does his work as a master workman should. His personal views are not largely in evidence, but he gives an excellent account of the doings of Grand Bodies throughout the world. Telling his readers of the work of the District Deputy Grand Masters in this jurisdiction, he says:

A very excellent paper is presented in the report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry. The plan and policy of District Deputy Grand Masters is fully unfolded, and those officers are praised; their recommendations involving everything connected with conducting lodge transactions are commended, with wise and judicious comment. In our yearly round of Grand Lodge proceedings we find none more interesting and instructive.

Lodges 250; members 17,886; a gain of 767.

Harry A. Cheney, Creighton, Grand Master.

Francis E. White, Omaha, Grand Secretary.

NETHERLANDS

The "bulletin" of the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands has been received, as well as a Year Book, both for the year 1911. Unfortunately, this correspondent cannot read them.

The Masonic temple has recently been improved and partially rebuilt, and the Year Book is embellished by several views of the building itself and of several of its apartments, including the office of the Grand Secretary, the library, and the museum.

Our Dutch brethren are mindful of the first of Masonic virtues and duties, and minister liberally to the needs of their aged and destitute members.

Their activities are not confined to Holland; but extend to the East Indies, the West Indies, and to South Africa. They have 50 lodges in Holland, 20 in the East Indies, 2 in the West Indies and 29 in South Africa. The total membership is 4,624.

Hugo van Gyn, Dordrecht, Grand Master.

H. J. W. Van Lawick, 's-Gravenhage (The Hague) Grand Secretary.

NEVADA

Forty-sixth Annual Communication opened at Reno June 14, 1910. Frank H. Norcross, Grand Master. Lodges represented 24; unrepresented 1. Ten Past Grand Masters were in attendance.

Grand Master Norcross reported that the year closed had been one of material prosperity generally to the Craft throughout the state, and had been marked by peace and harmony.

Two Past Grand Masters had died during the year: Michael A. Murphy, who ruled the Craft in 1885; and Horatio S. Mason, who was Grand Master in 1881 and 1882.

Bro. Norcross approves of national councils or conferences for the consideration of matters of general interest.

In 1905 the Grand Lodge decided to recognize the Grand Lodge of Coahuila, Mexico. Bro. Norcross recommended that the recognition be withdrawn, which recommendation was approved. Recognition should be granted with caution, and only after evidence warranting such recognition has been submitted.

With respect to Belgium he said: "While expressing deep appreciation of the noble work the Masons of Belgium are doing for the brotherhood of man, I believe the position of the Grand Lodge of Nevada should be that we should withhold fraternal relations with any Masonic body which suppresses in its ritual the recognition of God."

He reported that the Grand Lodge had been incorporated by act of the Legislature of Nevada, and recommended the appointment of trustees to act under the provisions of the statute.

He recommended that the Grand Lodge affiliate with the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada.

The Committee on Correspondence recommended a general form of service to commemorate the bi-centenary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England, the mother Grand Lodge of the world; that the Grand Lodge Cosmos, of Mexico, be not recognized, the information furnished being unsatisfactory; that the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina be not recognized because it maintains fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France; that the Grand Lodge of Belgium be not recognized because it has eliminated the name of the Great Architect of the Universe from its ritual; and that recognition of the Grand Lodge of Coahuila, Mexico, be withdrawn. All the recommendations of the report were adopted

The report on Foreign Correspondence is in the skilled hands of W. Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth, who gives his readers an excellent summary of the doings of Masonic bodies throughout the world.

In this jurisdiction it had been ruled that, the lodge having been regularly closed, it could not be reopened for the purpose of initiating a belated candidate. Bro. Vanderlieth thinks the ruling correct, but asks: "What objection to the Master calling a special communication if good cause existed?" There was no objection; but, under the Canadian law, seven days' notice of a special meeting must be given.

Again, he thinks the ruling that an applicant who had partially lost his eyesight was ineligible was wrong, holding that "a candidate who has partially lost his eyesight is not as bad off as an applicant who has partially lost his hearing." It depends upon the extent of the disability in each case. The gentleman in question could not recognize some of the Masonic signs.

Defending the use of the title "Ancient and Honorable Order," as applied to Masonry, Bro. Vanderlieth says: "In the history of the origin of Freemasonry in Scotland, in the reign of James the first, we read of 'how every Grand Master was chosen by the brethren either from the nobility or the clergy, and approved of by the Crown,' etc. This is a little bit mixed. In the first place, Masonry in Scotland originated long before the time of James the first, who reigned from 1406 to 1437. The old lodge at Kilwinning was doubtless established between 1140 and 1191; and the Lodge of Perth and Scoon affirms that its first charter was obtained from Kilwinning in 1193 "or thereby." It was asserted that St. Clair, Baron Roslin, was appointed by the King to be patron or protector of the Craft in the time of James the first; and, while that is probable, it cannot be proved. But he was not Grand Master. Even in the time of James the sixth, William Schaw was only Warden General and "Maister of Wark," though he laid down rules for the government of the Craft throughout Scotland. But there was no Grand Master in those days as we understand the term.

Lodges 25; members 1681; a gain of 108.

James C. Doughty, Elko, Grand Master.

Chauncey N. Noteware, Carson City, Grand Secretary.

NEW BRUNSWICK

The Forty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick was opened at St. John, August 23, 1910. Henry S. Bridge, Grand Master. Lodges represented 22; unrepresented 16. Three Past Grand Masters were present, including M.W.Pro. John V. Ellis, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master paid feeling tribute to the memory of M. W. Bro. Edwin J. Everett, Past Grand Master, who held office from 1904 to 1906. He was initiated in 1859 in Albion Lodge, and had been continuously a member of that lodge for fifty-one years. Grand Lodge was opened in special communication to attend the funeral. A Lodge of Sorrow was held on the 20th of May, 1910, in memory of King Edward VII., at which an appreciative and eloquent address was delivered by the Grand Chaplain, the Rev. Gordon Dickie. In the course of it he said:

For him nobility was goodness and the service of life, self-sacrifice. In the language of Henley he could say:

"What have I not done for thee, England, my England?

What is there I would not do, England, my England?"

We do not appreciate his loss to-day—we cannot. That will come only when the rolling seasons have carried us far hence. Months and perhaps years will pass before we get the true perspective of that life. At present we can only say that "he passes to be King among the dead," and as we listen in our silent grief there seems to come

"As from beyond the limit of the world,

Like the last echo born of a great cry,

Sounds, as if some fair city were one voice

Around a king returning from his wars."

There need be no regrets on his part or on ours. "I think I have done my duty" was his last message to his people, and if upon your part the answer to that query could be found it would be—"Yes a thousand times over."

King Edward was intensely human. He hated anything like cant or snobbery, and he rejoiced in the frankness of the men of low degree. "This is not the first time I have worn the King's uniform," said John Burns, when he was being sworn in as Privy Councillor, and the King laughed as he remembered how in former days the same John Burns had worn the prison garb.

Bro. Bridges referred to the disastrous fire at Campbellton, and recommended a grant of \$300 to aid the lodge at that place in rebuilding the hall. He added:

In connection with the disaster at Campbellton I have much pleasure in calling your attention to an act of kindly sympathy on the part of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in

Ontario, M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt. At his request the Grand Secretary of that Grand Lodge wrote to our Grand Secretary saying that their Grand Master has been much exercised over the severe loss which has befallen the town of Campbellton, and desired to ask whether there were any Masons in that town who were in need of relief—that, if there were, he would be very happy to recommend a grant for that purpose from the funds of their Grand Lodge. On receipt of this communication I at once asked our Grand Secretary to telegraph our sincere thanks, stating the exact position of our brethren in Campbellton, and adding that such a grant would be most acceptable to them. It seems to me that it would be proper for this Grand Lodge to pass a resolution expressing our thanks for such a kind and generous action.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

Lodges 38; members 2,925, an increase of 213.

Henry S. Bridges, Ph.D., St. John, Grand Master.

J. Twining Hartt, St. John, Grand Secretary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Four special communications of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire were held during the year; three for the dedication of Masonic halls and one the purpose of attending the funeral of M. W. Bro. Frank Dana Woodbury, who was Grand Master in 1890 and 1891, and Grand Secretary from 1899 to the time of his death.

The semi-annual communication was held at Manchester, December 28, 1909, which seems to have been practically a lodge of instruction. All the degrees were worked by members of private lodges and subjected to remark and criticism.

The one hundred and twenty-first Annual Communication was held at Concord May 18, 1910. Frederick W. Sawyer, Grand Master. Lodges represented 57; unrepresented 23. Eight Past Grand Masters were present.

In his address the Grand Master said:

Throughout the whole civilized world the influence of Masonry is being exerted to-day more than ever before. In its silent, mysterious workings it is constantly pleading for a more common brotherhood, and for a purer and higher plane of living. The barriers which have for centuries divided men in their religious beliefs are gradually disappearing and to-day we are beholding men rallying under one standard of righteousness, fighting for purity in all departments of life and for the enlightenment of the masses who are still living in the darkness of ignorance.

He paid an eloquent tribute to the worth and service of M. W. Bro. Woodbury and other distinguished Masons, and also to a brother who had not been un-

usually active as a Mason, but who had achieved the distinction of being the oldest Mason living. Bro. James Bellows McGregor was born in New Hampshire in 1801 and died there in 1910, having attained the age of 108 years and seven months. He was initiated in 1827, and had therefore been a Mason more than 83 years at the time of his death.

Bro. Sawyer visited the Masonic home several times, and believes it to be one of the most beautifully situated and best managed institutions of its kind in the United States. He adds:

I wish that every one of the 10,000 Masons in New Hampshire would visit the Home and see what a good institution it is, and also observe how much better we could make it if we had more money.

He has seen and handled several charters more than a century old, and has examined Masonic records dating back to the closing years of the eighteenth century; and recommends a systematic attempt to gather and compile the old documents illustrating the condition of the Craft before the formation of the Grand Lodge in 1789.

He attended the conference of Grand Masters at Philadelphia, and believes that such conferences will be of benefit to the Craft.

The first Grand Master of Masons in New Hampshire was Major General John Sullivan, who was prominent in the war of the revolution. The Grand Master recommended the erection of a monument commemorative of the man and of his service to his country and to Masonry.

M. W. Bro. Harry M. Cheney, who has taken the place of Bro. Woodbury as Grand Secretary, conducts the foreign correspondence in a wholly satisfactory manner. He declines to reprint the nice things other reviewers say about him, wherein he is right. The foreign correspondents should not form themselves into a mutual admiration society.

Bro. Cheney thinks a Masonic lodge should not be required to get a dispensation from the Grand Master to permit its members to attend Divine service, and adds: "Don't put the air-brakes on anybody going to church." In this jurisdiction the dispensation is not for the purpose of permitting the brethren to attend church, but to permit them to wear Masonic clothing when doing so.

In his review of Rhode Island he says:

A member of one of their Lodges was declared expelled, but his name was not given. How do the Rhode Island brethren, to say nothing about the rest of us, know the name of the expelled member? When money is given to help some unfortunate brother, we hate to see his name published in the records. But if he has done something against Masonic law that results, after due process, in expulsion, it seems to us there should be no hesitancy in having the name part of the record.

Undoubtedly the name of the expelled member should be given to the Masonic world. At the same time, when a stranger applies for relief, it is wise to wire the secretary of the lodge he professes to hail from, and learn whether or not he is a member in good standing.

In dealing with the Vermont report he says he likes the New Hampshire way of appointing District Deputies. "Their appointment is made by our Grand Master. We give him this power and then hold him responsible." All of which would make our democratic Canadian Masons say things. Of course the Grand Master here nominally makes the appointments upon the recommendations of the District meetings, but our constitution provides for the "election" of the District Deputies by the qualified members of their districts.

The New Hampshire report is one of the neatest and best printed that reaches us.

Lodges 80; members 10,260; a gain of 171.

Edwin F. Jones, Manchester, Grand Master.

Harry M. Cheney, Concord, Grand Secretary.

NEW MEXICO.

The thirty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico was held at Roswell October 17, 1910. Frank Johnson Grand Master. Lodges represented 27; unrepresented 11. Twenty-one Past Grand Masters were present.

During the year thirteen special and emergent communications had been held, mainly for constituting and consecrating lodges and for laying corner stones.

In his address the Grand Master said:

It is with pleasure that I am able to report to this Grand Lodge that the interests on Masonry in New Mexico for the past year has been harmonious and shows a large increase in membership, as well as a healthy financial condition of the Subordinate Lodges.

Nothing has occurred to mar the harmony and the brethren are imbued with that true Masonic spirit which should ever abide in the hearts of all faithful brethren of dispensing Masonic light and charity.

A net gain of 191 members may seem very small, but it is an increase of more than eight per cent. during the year.

A number of decisions were given, all being interpretations of local law, and none of more than local interest.

Steps have been taken toward the establishment of a Masonic home, to be called the Kit Carson Home; but, as the fraternity in the state is very weak in numbers, it is not probable that more than a modest establishment can be provided.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence is composed of M. W. Bro. James H. Wroth. A special report was made respecting conditions in Mexico. Bro. Wroth thinks the new Grand Lodge deserving of recognition, and that the Mexican, or seceding, Grand Lodge ought to be repudiated. He fails, however, to make it clear how a Grand Body working the degrees of the Scottish rite can, by a simple resolution, and by working the so-called York degrees, make itself legitimate. Nor does he explain how the Mexicans came to be possessed of the work of the York Rite.

He quotes the remarks of Grand Master Macwatt respecting the gradual elimination of the Past Masters from Grand Lodge; and thinks that otherwise Grand Lodges will become so unwieldy as to become useless as deliberative bodies.

While opposed to a General Grand Lodge, Bro. Wroth thinks good will result from occasional or periodical conferences of Grand Masters. Even though the agreements of the Grand Masters would not be binding on the Grand Jurisdictions, they would work in the direction of securing uniformity in practice.

He is opposed to too much legislation; thinks Masonry as it came to us from the fathers was pretty good; and doubts the wisdom of innovation, even where innovation is lawful. And there this writer agrees with him.

Lodges 38; members 2572, an increase of 191.

Edward L. Medlar, Albuquerque, Grand Master.

Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES

The twenty-second annual report of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales records the doings of four quarterly and four special communications.

A special communication was held at Sydney August 2, 1909, for the purpose of installing the Grand Master elect Bro. S. Montgomerie-Hamilton, and the investiture of the other officers of Grand Lodge. Lord Chelmsford, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Queensland, was an honored visitor.

The Installing Master, M.W. Bro. G. E. Emery, in his remarks to the Grand Master elect, made such an excellent summary of the qualifications desirable in a Grand Master that Canadian readers will assuredly be glad to have it copied here. Bro. Emery said:

It is incumbent to rule well that the Grand Master should possess and practice several important attributes. As a man, he should be of proved integrity, and irreproachable morals, of good repute in the world, and practicing as an example what are known as the cardinal virtues—Fortitude, Prudence, Temperance and Justice. As a citizen, he should be loyal to his government, and obedient to its laws, prompt in his duty to society, and a pattern of fidelity in all his social and domestic relations. As a Freemason, he should defer to the Ancient Landmarks, be strongly opposed to their infringement, should be proficient in the laws, language and literature of Freemasonry, desirous of learning and apt to teach. Though elevated above his fellows, he should remember that he has been elevated by them, and that he is still a Craftsman—still bound more sacredly than ever by the Craftsman's obligation—and that he should cultivate everywhere and at all times the golden tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. As an officer he should be accessible to all, cultivating the closest friendship and the fullest confidence of his associated officers. He should be patient in investigation, deliberate in judgment, and prompt in execution, bearing long with evil doers, he should be ever ready to reward the good, be free from partiality, and wholly just. He should ever strive to be watchful over every portion of his jurisdiction, and should firmly resist the ever restless spirit of innovation.

At the quarterly meeting held September 8, 1909, a great deal of routine business was transacted, and Grand Lodge agreed to provide a Masonic temple at Sydney.

At the quarterly meeting December 8, 1909, only routine business was transacted.

At the quarterly meeting of March 9, 1910, Lord Kitchener was present, and an address was presented to him, to which he responded in feeling language. Lord Kitchener is Past Grand Warden of the Grand

Lodge of England, Past District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of Egypt, and Past District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of the Punjab.

A special communication was held April 25, 1910, at which the complicated affairs of a lodge with "troubles of its own" were discussed, and the temple project was further considered.

On the 20th of May, 1910, a Lodge of Sorrow was held in connection with the funeral of the late King Edward the Seventh. The ceremonies were very solemn and impressive.

A special meeting was held June 7, 1910, when nominations for Grand Lodge officers were made.

A quarterly meeting was held the following day, June 8, at which the elections were held, his Excellency Lord Chelmsford being chosen Grand Master; but the installation was deferred to the first meeting of the new year.

The Foreign Correspondence is conducted by a committee of which R. W. Bro. Thomas Rowbotham is chairman. The affairs of the craft throughout the world are judiciously and ably summarized.

The Grand Secretary reports that there are in New South Wales 228 lodges adhering to the United Grand Lodge, with 14,819 members, an increase for the year of 1051. The united funds amount to £66,-813 or about \$330,000.

His Excellency Lord Chelmsford, Sydney, Grand Master.

Arthur H. Bray, Sydney, Grand Secretary.

NEW YORK.

The one hundred and thirtieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New York was opened at New York, May 2, 1911. Robert Judson Kenworthy Grand Master.

Practically all the lodges in the state, more than 800 in number, were represented. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, M. W. Bro. J. Hungerford Smith, was present.

The address of the Grand Master is a long, comprehensive and able paper. In it he recorded the decease of two Past Grand Masters of the jurisdiction, M.

W. Bros. James Ten Eyck, and J. Edward Simmons, to whom he paid due meed of praise.

Right here, however, we are going to quarrel "good and hard" with Bro. Kenworthy for using this (alleged) quotation:

Soft be the sod above thee,
Friend of my later days.
None knew thee but to love thee,
None named thee but to praise.

It looks much nicer when it is quoted thus:

Green be the turf above thee,
Friend of my better days.
None knew thee but to love thee,
None named thee but to praise.

And, now we come to think of it, that is the way Fitz-Greene Halleck wrote it, on the death of Joseph Rodman Drake.

During the year dispensations were issued for the formation of eight new lodges.

Bro. Kenworthy thinks it eminently desirable that Grand Representatives should be appointed for a fixed term, in order that the honor may go round.

He denounces the "McKinley Chain Letter" as a fraud.

Much of the address is devoted to that noble charity, the Masonic Home, which is assuredly worthy of all the praise that can be lavished upon it. It is a beautiful, almost palatial, residence of more than four hundred men, women and children; and to it the brethren of the state cheerfully contribute one dollar each year. When the Temple property in New York shall be rebuilt and paid for it is hoped that the revenues derived from it will suffice for the maintenance of the home.

A beautiful incident of the home's doings during the year was the concert given at Utica, participated in by the children of the home, the proceeds of which were given to the orphan asylum of the Roman Catholic church. The sum so raised was \$5,200. The world at large will note this charity toward an avowed enemy of Masonry. The average number of inmates during the year was 415; and the cost of maintenance (not including outlays on the property) was \$86,562.30, or \$208.58 per head.

The Grand Historian, R. W. Bro. Edwin A. Quick, continues his very interesting histories of the lodges of the state. In the present report he summarizes the histories of lodges from 231 to 262. These histories will prove of inestimable value to future historians of Masonry in New York.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence is composed of M. W. Bro. William Sherer, R. W. Bro. Emil Frenkel and R. W. Bro. Emanuel Loewenstein. In their introduction they say that they have reviewed the doings of other Grand Lodges without comment or expression of personal views.

Neither in quarrelsome spirit, finding fault with others, nor in fulsome flattery praise, to keep up the "Mutual Admiration Society" of the so-called round table, but, without display or boast, have we tried to report and reproduce for the benefit and instruction of the brethren of our own jurisdiction. We hold that we are chroniclers not critics.

They not only summarize the doings of the Grand Bodies with which the Grand Lodge of New York maintains fraternal relations, but give some account of other bodies claiming to be Masonic, but which are of doubtful legitimacy. Their efforts had been to let their readers know what is going on in the Masonic world, and they have succeeded.

It does not follow that the brethren do not permit themselves to express any opinion. As an illustration take the following from the notice of England, which is worth copying for its intrinsic worth and beauty of expression:

While England is comparatively small in territory, it embodies a vast power, and speaks with a potential voice among the civilized peoples of the earth, and the Colonies, Provinces and Dependencies of the British Crown mean a large share of the territory of the world, wherever the British flag waves there also the Masonic flag is found, and Masons can be found wherever British influence prevails. Centered on the small island of Great Britain, it extends east and west, until it spans the earth with its benign influence, its liberty and freedom, and there, side by side, works the silent but effective influence for good of our Fraternity. It has kindled Masonic light in every part of the globe and on the islands of the seas. Like the roll call of the British drum, so the call of the Masonic brother, asking for aid, relief and brotherhood may be heard from the rising sun to the setting sun, circling the whole earth and reaching the ear of all the people everywhere. This is a grand fact.

Lodges 803; members 168,714, a gain of 5,373.

Robert Judson Kenworthy, Grand Master.

Edward L. M. Ehlers, Masonic Temple, New York,
Grand Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND.

The twenty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand was opened at Wellington, May 11, 1910.

In consequence of the death of King Edward the Seventh, the Grand Master, Lord Plunket, was fully occupied with his official duties at the capital, and the Pro-Grand Master, Oliver Nicholson, presided.

The election of the Grand Master took place on the first day of the meeting, and resulted in the unanimous choice of R. W. Bro. C. J. W. Griffiths, who presided during the rest of the proceedings.

The Board of Benevolence reported grants during the year amounting to £271 3s. 8d.; but expenditure from other funds and annuities granted brought the total expenditure for benevolence to about £2,100, or about \$10,500. The benevolent funds of Grand Lodge amount to about \$110,000.

While the Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand number 170, there are many still holding under the Grand Lodge of England, and the relations of the two bodies, while not unfriendly, are somewhat delicate. Recently the present Grand Master, Bro. Griffiths, visited England, and, while there, he had a conversation with the Grand Register of England, desiring a better understanding as to the liberty of Lodges still adhering to the mother Grand Lodge to take action looking to affiliation with the New Zealand body. Lord Ampthill, the English Pro-Grand Master, says that when New Zealand lodges ask for permission to consider a change of allegiance, their applications for permission to do so will be considered on their merits. He added:

Should we be obliged, in view of the circumstances explained to us, to assent to the transfer of the allegiance of any Lodge, we shall give that assent without the slightest feeling of resentment or regret, for the Craft has nothing to gain by retaining the unwilling allegiance of any body of its members. We should also feel that to meet the carefully considered and fairly established wishes of Brethren who are so far from our protection and control would be the best means of retaining their affection. At the same time, however, we feel that our first duty is towards those who have a right to our protection, and who do not wish to be forced to transfer their allegiance from the G. L. of England. We shall, therefore, always be obliged to make sure that no undue pressure has been put upon such brethren, and to give them every opportunity of expressing their wishes.

Eleven lodges under dispensation were consitituted and consecrated during the year, and a dispensation was granted for the formation of one new lodge.

The Grand Secretary reported that every lodge on the roll had paid all dues and demands up to the close of the financial year.

Upon the retirement of Lord Plunkett from the office of Grand Master, which he had filled for four years, he was presented with a magnificent service of plate.

A proposal to amend the constitution so as to provide for the automatic suspension of all members of subordinate lodges in arrears of dues for a fixed period was referred back to the board for further consideration.

The foreign correspondence is in the able and judicious hands of M. W. Bro. Alfred H. Burton, who, in his "foreword," asks for lenient judgment upon his work on the ground that he is new to the business. Well, a study of his report convinces us that he need not ask for leniency: his work is good. He says that the reports of our District Deputy Grand Masters "indicate a vast amount of faithful work, and afford a useful lesson elsewhere."

Bro. Burton promises to be a valued member of the Ancient and Honorable Order of Foreign Correspondents.

Lodges 170; members 10,850, an increase of nearly a thousand.

Christopher James Whitney Griffiths, Blenheim, Grand Master.

Malcolm Niccol, Wellington, Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The one hundred and twenty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was opened at Raleigh January 10, 1911. Richard N. Hackett Grand Master. Lodges represented 247; unrepresented 155. Nine Past Grand Masters were present.

In noting the death of King Edward, the Grand Master, said: "He was a wise ruler, and the name he won among the sovereigns of the earth, The Peacemaker, is proof that he realized the fundamental principles and put in practice the teachings of our great fraternity."

Among the decisions given were the following :

1. The Grand Master has no power to grant permission to a lodge to elect a brother as Master until he has served a term as Warden.
2. A lodge cannot reconsider the vote by which a petitioner for degrees or membership was rejected.
3. Lodges must not send out appeals for aid to build temples or halls.
4. Dual membership is not permitted nor can a member of a lodge in another jurisdiction be an honorary member in North Carolina.
5. One Mason cannot hold two offices in a lodge.
6. There is no statute of limitations barring trial for violation of Masonic law.

The Masonic Temple, the property of Grand Lodge, is in debt to the amount of \$75,000. When that is paid, which will probably be in ten years, the revenues of the temple will be available for benevolent purposes.

The Masons of Greensboro have given twenty-five acres of land and \$5,000 towards a Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

Bro. Hackett thought the dues of subordinate lodges were in many cases too low. In some lodges the dues were only one dollar, of which ninety cents went to Grand Lodge.

During the year dispensations had been issued for the formation of nine new lodges, and one lodge was continued under dispensation.

During the year twelve special communications had been held, most of them for the purpose of laying corner stones.

R. W. Bro. John A. Collins is chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and writes a valuable report, covering more than 150 pages. In opening he says :

A careful inspection of sixty-four volumes of Grand Lodge proceedings discloses a very gratifying condition of Masonry in all English-speaking Grand Jurisdictions. The material prosperity, the phenomenal growth in membership, and the generous benefactions of the fraternity continue unabated. Unusual care is exercised in the admission of candidates, with the result that their moral qualifications are on a higher plane

In his report on Canada he says :

To those who advocate the building of Masonic Homes and their costly maintenance we would call attention to the excellent results from the method pursued in Canada. No worthy case has been overlooked, and the total amount disbursed in actual charity

to the beneficiaries at their homes and among their friends is very large.

In another place he says: "The Canadian method, to our mind, is the best that can be devised."

It is pleasant to notice that Bro. Collins is conservative in the matter of recognizing foreign lodges of doubtful origin, more doubtful standing, and most doubtful usefulness. As to the so-called Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, he thinks the best thing to do, is to let it severely alone. And that is the writer's opinion.

Lodges 412, including ten under dispensation; members 19,890, an increase of 730.

Richard N. Hackett, Wilkesboro, Grand Master.

John C. Drewry, Raleigh, Grand Secretary.

NORTH DAKOTA.

The twenty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota was opened at Fargo June 21, 1910. Halfdan Bendeke, Grand Master. All the warranted lodges in the state, 93 in number, and three under dispensation, were represented. Eight Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. A. B. Taylor, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Lodge procession was somewhat imposing. The report says:

In accordance with previous notice, the Grand officers and members of the Grand Lodge assembled at the Hotel Gardner, at 9.30 a.m., for the purpose of forming a Grand Lodge procession, with an escort of Knights Templar from Auvergne Commandery No. 2, Fargo, and St. Aldemar Commandery No. 3, Grand Forks, to conduct the M. W. Grand Master, Halfdan Bendeke, from his apartments at the hotel to the Masonic Temple. Past Grand Commander Clarence A. Hale commanded the Templar escort and acted as Grand Marshal. The procession was formed shortly after 9.30 a.m., with Putnam's Military Band at the head, followed by the Templar escort and color bearer, members of the Grand Lodge, grand officers and past grand officers and the M. W. Grand Master.

Grand Master Bendeke is evidently a striking figure physically, as he is a strong personality mentally, and is a power not only in Masonry but in his state. But we must dissent from the assertion of his biographer, that he is a "typical viking." He is a Norwegian by birth; and most of the vikings were Norwegians. But the vikings were pirates, and there is nothing—absolutely nothing—in the handsome, manly face which forms the frontispiece of the North Dakota Proceedings to indicate that Bro. Bendeke is a pirate. Besides, we

don't believe the brethren of North Dakota would have a pirate for their Grand Master.

In his address the Grand Master deplored the loss by death of M. W. Bro. Frank J. Thompson, who was Grand Master in 1890, and had served as Grand Secretary for seventeen years.

Four lodges under dispensation had been consecrated, and dispensations issued for the formation of three new lodges. One Masonic temple had been dedicated and one corner-stone laid.

Bro. Bendeke attended the conference of Grand Masters at Baltimore, and was impressed by the value of such gatherings. He would be in favor of a national Grand Lodge as an advisory body; but the general sentiment at the conference was against even that, or any permanent organization.

He does not believe in granting dispensations to permit the initiation of candidates on the evening the petition is received in the lodge, and recommended that no dispensations should be granted to confer any degree in less than the statutory time, nor advancement permitted until the candidate is well instructed in the degrees already received. Bro. Bendeke will have the approval of all thoughtful Masons in taking that stand.

He had sent a letter of sympathy to the Grand Lodge of England on the death of the late King, and had received a courteous acknowledgement from Sir Edward Letchworth, the Grand Secretary.

M. W. Bro. Walter M. Stockwell, the new Grand Secretary, presented a full and valuable report of the business of Grand Lodge. In it he deprecated "the publication in newspapers of the names of candidates who have taken the degrees in Masonry."

There appears to be a committee on Foreign Correspondence, but its report has not been received.

John J. Hull, Wahpeton, Grand Master.

Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo, Grand Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The forty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia was opened at Wolfville June 8, 1910. William Marshall Black Grand Master. Lodges represented 71; unrepresented 0.

During the year five special communications were

held, four for the laying of corner stones and one for the dedication of a lodge room.

At the Annual Communication the representative of Canada was present.

After the formal opening the brethren formed in procession and attended Divine service. The sermon was preached by the Grand Chaplain, the Rev. William Driffield, who delivered a very able, eloquent and instructive address. In the course of it he said:

A code of ethics which only commends itself by expediency or utility, which is regarded as merely a convenient basis of human society, a "social contract," will always be overcome by man's passions or man's cupidity. Man needs every incentive to urge him in the path of righteousness, and if that crowning incentive, the fear of God, be withdrawn through unbelief or indifference (which is practically unbelief), then his standard of rectitude invariably deteriorates. We are taught almost at the beginning of our Masonic life that the way to happiness lies through wisdom and goodness; that if we are "wiser and better" we shall be "consequently happier," and it is in God's service alone that we find wisdom, virtue and perfect happiness. Let us then realize that "the fear of God" is not "only the beginning of wisdom," but also its culmination; that the fear of God is both the deepest foundation and the highest stone in that great Temple, which we, as speculative Masons, are striving, by God's help, to erect to His honor and glory. It is a gross slander, prompted either by ignorance or by enmity, which insinuates that Freemasonry is opposed to, or inconsistent with, true religion and piety.

When Grand Lodge was again called to labor the Grand Master delivered his address, which was comprehensive and carefully prepared. In opening he paid a feeling tribute to the memory of King Edward the seventh.

On several occasions he had visited the Freemasons' home, and had always found everything as it should be, the inmates contented and well cared for, the rooms comfortable and in good order at all times.

Among his rulings was one that Masons in good standing under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Italy, may, upon proving themselves, be received as visitors in Nova Scotia lodges, notwithstanding the fact that the two jurisdictions are not in correspondence.

He had traveled 7,250 miles by rail, steamer and coach to visit lodges, and in doing so learned much of the condition and needs of the craft which could be learned only by personal inspection.

He regretted that the work throughout the jurisdiction was not uniform, and he recommended that

Grand Lodge take steps to make it so. The committee on the address, however, did not recommend any action at present, and so the matter rests.

There are nine Masonic districts in Nova Scotia, giving an average of eight lodges to a district. The District Deputy Grand Masters performed their duties with fidelity, and submitted good reports, which showed that with one exception the lodges were prosperous, and that harmony prevailed throughout the jurisdiction.

R. W. Bro. Thomas Mowbray, the Grand Secretary, conducts the Foreign Correspondence, and does that work, as he does all his work, in excellent style. He restricts his report to a statement of what has been done in the various jurisdictions, and has few opinions of his own to offer.

Lodges 72, including one under dispensation; members 6037; an increase of 364.

William Marshall Black, Wolfville, Grand Master (reelected).

Thomas Mowbray, Halifax, Grand Secretary.

OHIO.

The one hundred and first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ohio was opened at Columbus October 19, 1910. B. F. Perry Grand Master. Lodges represented 449; unrepresented 71. Eighteen Past Grand Masters were present. Among the representatives of other Grand Lodges was M. W. Bro. Harmon, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada. Congratulations were exchanged by wire with the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, which was in session at Louisville at the same time.

Grand Master Perry congratulated the brethren upon the harmony and prosperity which reigned throughout the jurisdiction. He said:

We are not only numerically stronger, but I believe that the Lodges, as well as the individual members of the Craft, are doing more toward the upbuilding of character, more nearly fulfilling the mission of the great Brotherhood, than ever before.

Three lodges were constituted and consecrated; three were recommended for charters; and a dispensation was granted for the formation of one other. Twelve lodge rooms were dedicated and eleven corner stones laid.

The Grand Master evidently intended that the fundamental law of the jurisdiction should be carefully observed. He said:

I have received a great many requests for permission to disregard the express provisions of the Code and the Laws of the Grand Lodge in receiving and considering petitions for initiation, and in the conferring of the degrees; also requests for permission to issue appeals for financial aid, all of which have been refused.

As a rule Masonic laws are wise and necessary; and the judicious Grand Master will always decline to set them aside except in cases of extreme necessity. It is a pity that some other Grand Masters have not the firmness which Bro. Perry displayed.

A communication had been received from Mexico arising out of the recent squabble in that republic, which communication was referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, of which M. W. Bro. W. A. Belt is chairman. The gist of the committee's report was as follows:

During the year there have been received communications from the National Independent Grand Lodge of the Republic of Dominica, the Grand Lodge of Nicaragua, Gr. Or. Do Rio Grande Do Sul (Brazil), the Grand Lodge of Greece, and the Grand Lodge de El Salvador, asking fraternal recognition and exchange of Grand Representatives.

Your Committee thinks great care should be exercised in extending such relations. Before granting such requests this Grand Lodge should be satisfied, beyond a doubt, that these Bodies measure up to the standards of Ancient Craft Masonry, that they are Sovereign and Independent, that they bid fair to be able to exist and carry on the work in a way that will reflect credit upon the Fraternity, and that they are at reasonable peace with their neighbors. The burden of proof of all this should be with them. We have no means at our command to establish these things.

We as a Grand Lodge have no fixed measure or standard or rule, as some Jurisdictions have, by which to judge applicants. But surely the generally accepted standards should be made clear. A mere request, brought through a letter, asking such relations, as these Bodies have filed, is not enough to satisfy your Committee.

That seems to be plain, practical common sense. If a body claiming to be Masonic asks to be admitted to the Great Grand Lodge of Masonic Brotherhoods let it prove that it is Masonic in all essentials, and then no doubt recognition will be granted. Otherwise it ought to be denied. Recognition is a certificate of character, and it should not be given until character is established.

The receipts for the year were \$60,000; the expenses a little less. Of the expenditures \$37,792 was for the support of the Ohio Masonic Home.

M. W. Bro. Belt explains that he is a new hand at the foreign correspondence. Nevertheless he takes

hold like a veteran; and, while he has few personal opinions to express, he presents an excellent review of the doings of Masonic grand bodies throughout the world. We do not quite like his making of classes of Grand Lodges, putting those of the United States in one class, those of the United Kingdom in another, and so on. All regular Craft Masons form one family, and political lines should not be recognized.

Lodges 520; members 79,501, a gain of 3,525.

H. S. Kissel, Springfield, Grand Master.

J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, Grand Secretary.

OKLAHOMA.

The second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was opened at McAlester February 9, 1910. Henry L. Muldrow Grand Master. Lodges represented 328; unrepresented 57. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was present.

Application for recognition was received from the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. The application was referred to a special committee, which did not report at that session.

The Grand Master reported that he had, during the year, issued dispensations for the formation of sixteen new lodges.

He had refused all dispensations to confer degrees out of regular time. He thinks the granting of such dispensations tends to cheapen the regard Masons should have for the laws and rules of the institution.

Twenty-five special communications of Grand Lodge had been held, mainly for the laying of corner stones. One was practically a lodge of instruction, at which the new work was exemplified.

A number of decisions were given, only one of which has more than local interest; it was that members of a lodge could not be permitted to advertise that on certain days a percentage of the profits of their business would go to the building fund of a Masonic temple.

He recommended that fraternal relations be not entered into with the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, because a lodge in the state named accepts negro members. Grand Lodge sustained the recommendation. We wonder if recognition of the Grand Lodge of England will be declined on the same ground.

R. W. Bro. Wm. M. Anderson, the Grand Secretary, is chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence; but press of business resulting from the recent consolidation rendered it impossible for him to prepare a full report. The indications are that we shall have some good work from him in the future.

While the consolidated Grand Lodge is, to a certain extent, still in the throes of reorganization, things appear to be getting into normal conditions, and the prospects are very bright. There is no sign of discontent with the amalgamation, and all the brethren are working loyally for the good of the order. "Father Murrow" is honored and loved, and all the leaders of both of the former Grand Lodges are doing their best to build up Masonry and establish its prosperity.

Lodges 385: we do not find any statement of the number of members.

George Ruddell, Weatherford, Grand Master.

William M. Anderson, Waurika, Grand Secretary.

OREGON.

Sixtieth Annual Communication, held at Portland June 15, 1910. Norris R. Cox, Grand Master. Lodges represented 105; unrepresented 16.

The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario was present.

The Grand Master announced the death, in February last, of M. W. Bro. William Davenport Hare, who was Grand Master in 1871.

During the year four lodges under dispensation were constituted and consecrated; and a dispensation issued for the formation of one new lodge.

Among the decisions given by the Grand Master during the year were the following:

1. Where the north-east corner of a building is likely to be hidden by another building, the corner-stone may be laid where it may be seen.

2. A subordinate lodge may legally hold an election on Christmas.

3. A soldier does not gain a residence for Masonic purposes at any place in which his regiment may be quartered, and he is eligible for initiation at the place of his residence when he enlisted.

4. The Past Master degree is part of the installation ceremony; but its omission from the service does not invalidate the installation of a Master of a lodge.

Recognition was given to "the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, a province of British Columbia." We are glad to learn that British Columbia has such a fine province as Saskatchewan.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts of \$13,254 and expenditures of \$8,714.

Last year the Grand Secretary was instructed to enter into correspondence with other Grand Bodies in Canada and the United States for the purpose of securing, if possible, a uniform system of demits. He reported that in his opinion no legislation on this subject will avail until there is established some supreme governing body, with authority to enforce its edicts. And, as the brethren of the United States will never consent to the establishment of a National Grand Lodge, we may look for the uniform demit at the Greek kalends.

R. W. Bro. John M. Hodson conducts the foreign correspondence with marked ability. His index includes a report upon this jurisdiction, but the report seems to have been crowded out in the make-up.

In his review of Minnesota, Bro. Hodson quotes from the address of Grand Master Roberts an opinion that no more than one candidate ought to be obligated at once, and that a single candidate at the altar will be "immeasurably more impressed with the solemnity and instructiveness of the ceremony" than if several were receiving it. And Bro. Hodson adds that there is probably not a single Grand Jurisdiction in which the ritualistic service provides for the obligation of more than one candidate at a time. To which we might add that it is the duty of the Master, and the privilege of all brethren, to assure themselves that each candidate repeats faithfully, and appears to understand, every part of the obligation. That is impossible where several are obligated at the same time.

Lodges 121; membership 9,986; a gain of 734.

Charles E. Wolverton, Portland, Grand Master.

James F. Robinson, Portland, Grand Secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The volume of Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for 1910-11, is illustrated with steel en-

gravings of the Masonic Temple at Philadelphia, and of the Grand Master, George W. Guthrie.

Quarterly communications were held in March, June, September and December. The business in general was of local interest only; but at the December meeting a statement of the several funds of Grand Lodge was given, and these we summarize in order that readers may know something of the magnificent proportions of Pennsylvania benevolence. The sums are the invested moneys of the several charities including cash balances:

General Fund	\$106,999 38
Thomas Singleton bequest	27,466 67
Girard bequest	80,400 00
Thomas R. Patton Memorial Fund	114,800 00
Steven Taylor bequest	17,400 00
Charles Jackson McClary Fund ..	20,000 00
Memorial Fund for orphan children	38,306 00
Maxwell Somerville bequests	16,000 00
Thomas Rankin Patton Fund	824,530 94
Emergency Relief Fund	11,300 00

Here is a magnificent total of \$1,257,202 94. Think of the good the income from that fund does when distributed among suffering men, women and children. Will some of those who are given to abuse of Masonry give a thought to that great charity?

The Grand Lodge has purchased nearly a thousand acres of land, on which the buildings for a Masonic home are to be erected. This will be one of the noblest Masonic residences in the world.

The Annual Grand Communication of Grand Lodge was opened at Philadelphia December 27, 1910. George W. Guthrie Grand Master. Lodges represented 102.

Grand Master Guthrie is strongly impressed by the importance of having Masters of lodges thoroughly instructed before installation; and he has provided for schools of instruction in each district, so that officers of lodges may not only be well skilled in ritual work but familiarized with Masonic law.

He acknowledged the reception from Bro. James I. Buchanan of St. John's Lodge, Pittsburg, of "a duly certified copy of the minutes of Barton Lodge, No. 10 (old number), of Hamilton, Canada, showing that on De-

cember 12, A.D. 1800, on receipt of a communication from this Grand Lodge announcing the death of Washington, it was resolved that the lodge should go into mourning at their public and private meetings for six months out of respect to his memory. This evidence of the early restoration of fraternal regard after the bitterness of the Revolutionary War should be perpetuated and the record preserved in the library of the Grand Lodge."

He issued many edicts or rulings; among them the following:

Forbade a brother advertising or using the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, as his office or trading place, for his personal business.

Forbade solicitation for life insurance in a Masonic Lodge or its adjoining rooms.

Forbade the reading of circular letters, other than Masonic, in any of the Lodges, unless permission be first given by the Grand Master.

A room in a Masonic building must not be rented to the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

A Masonic Lodge in this Jurisdiction cannot meet in a room in which the Order of the Eastern Star meets.

An Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft Mason may be tried upon the charge of not being under the tongue of good Masonic report. The membership of a Lodge should be purged.

Bro. James M. Lamberton is an ideal chairman of a committee on Foreign Correspondence. He is cheerful, chatty and chirpy; but he has opinions of his own, and he is not afraid to let people know what his opinions are. Besides, and that is the main thing, after all, he gives his readers a good view of the best thought and the best work in Masonry of the world. He will not permit any Boston bean-eater to tell the world, without contradiction, that the first American Masons were manufactured on Bunker Hill; and insists that Philadelphia not only had a lodge as early as 1731, but that the third Grand Lodge in the world was that of Pennsylvania.

Of Grand Master Macwatt's address he says it "is a long, able and comprehensive paper, showing a careful, vigilant and energetic administrator."

Lodges 477; members 96,430, a gain of 4,036.

George W. Guthrie, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Grand Master.

William A. Sinn, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Grand Secretary.

PUERTO RICO.

The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico have not been received; but a circular has been issued by the Grand Master, W. F. Lippitt, from which the following are extracts:

The following extracts are translated from our Constitution and By-laws, which are published only in Spanish: "The Grand Lodge is the only one and the supreme authority within its jurisdiction in everything that relates to symbolic Masonry, i.e., to the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason." "This jurisdiction includes all the territory of Porto Rico and adjacent islands (belonging thereto)." "The Grand Lodge * * * is formed by the confederation of its lodges." "The lodges of the jurisdiction can work in any recognized rite or ritual, provided, that in them no honors or rights are granted to anyone by virtue of any degrees higher than that of Master Mason." "Belief in a Supreme Being is an indispensable requisite for admittance into the Masonic society."

No Lodge can be opened without the presence on the altar of the three great lights in Masonry, as is required by all American Grand Lodges.

This Grand Lodge refuses recognition to all (so-called) Masonic bodies which do not require a like belief in a Supreme Being.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge of Porto Rico was organized as an independent body with twelve constituent lodges, in September, 1885, when the Grand Lodge of Cuba surrendered its jurisdiction over all Porto Rico lodges holding charters from the Cuba Grand Lodge at that time.

Many of the Lodges use a ritual which came from the Spanish Scottish Rite bodies and are from that erroneously known as "Scottish Rite" lodges, although their organization and that of the Grand Lodge formed by them is the same as that of all American Grand Lodges.

The "higher bodies" of the Scottish Rite here, i.e., lodges of Perfection, Chapter, Council and Consistory, are under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States.

The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons established a Chapter here which draws its material from the members of this Grand Lodge.

While these bodies have no authority over the Grand Lodges, they are composed of leading American Masons who, after careful investigation, have put on record their belief in the regularity of the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico.

In short, the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Porto Rico is the legitimate off-spring of the Grand Lodge of Cuba, which is recognized practically by all the Grand Lodges of the United States; its history is continuous since organization; its laws, landmarks and lights are the same as those of the American Grand Lodges, and it differs in no essential points from them. Porto Rico, therefore, believes that she is entitled to be received on terms of equality, and takes pleasure in offering her friendship to her sister Grand Lodges.

Last year we pointed out that the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico held fraternal relations with several Grand Lodges of doubtful legitimacy. Bro. Lippit says that the list (which was taken from his own Proceedings) was incorrect, and that a corrected list will be found in the Boletín Oficial de la Gran Logia. This we have not received.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

The thirty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island was opened at Charlottetown June 23, 1910. W. P. Doull Grand Master. All the lodges of the jurisdiction, fourteen in number, were represented.

Grand Master Doull congratulated the members of Grand Lodge on the peace and prosperity which have prevailed, and added:

Universal peace throughout our national realm prevails; progress and prosperity perch on the banner of our fair Dominion; while Prince Edward Island, the fairest gem in the national diadem, glows with undimmed radiance.

He paid a feeling and eloquent tribute to the memory of King Edward the Seventh, and fittingly noted the deaths of distinguished brethren in other jurisdictions.

Among the deceased brethren of the home jurisdiction was M. W. Bro. John Muirhead, who was Grand Senior Warden at the formation of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island, and was Grand Master in 1901. "He was," says Bro. Doull, "upright in business, kindly in disposition, a true friend and good Mason."

He objects to the retaining as representatives of sister jurisdictions brethren who do not attend Grand Lodge. He said:

It is a matter of small compliment to a Grand Lodge with as many subordinate lodges as we have individual members to be represented by a Right Worshipful Brother who cannot get into this Grand Lodge once in a dozen years. Some of these I have cut out, and recommended others to whom commissions have been issued. I trust the newly appointed incumbents will not disappoint us. If they do, let the operation be repeated.

During the year he visited all the lodges in the jurisdiction, some of them more than once.

Bro. Doull is a member of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and he regrets that the Grand Lodge feels itself too poor to publish the report. He thinks a report is of little value unless it is put into the hands of the brethren. Territorially, he says, but not

numerically, Prince Edward Island is the smallest jurisdiction on the face of the earth. He is proud of it if it is small. "Think of it!" he says, "a Grand Lodge thirty-five years old, that has never had occasion to suspend or expel a single member."

Bro. Doull has fallen into error as to Prince Edward Island being the smallest jurisdiction in the world territorially. It has 2133 square miles of territory, while Delaware has 2050, Rhode Island 1250, and the District of Columbia only 70 square miles.

He recommended the appointment of a Grand Lodge Historian, whose duty it would be to collect and preserve documents of interest to the Craft. The committee on the Grand Master's address, however, contented itself with a recommendation that the subordinate lodges carefully preserve their records.

The charity fund amounts to \$3,153.03. No calls appear to have been made upon it.

Lodges 14; members 731; an increase of 35.

William Stewart, Summerside, Grand Master.

W. P. Doull, Charlottetown, Grand Secretary.

QUEBEC.

The forty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Quebec was opened at Montreal February 8, 1911. J. Alexander Cameron Grand Master. Lodges represented 60; unrepresented 2. Seven Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. I. H. Stearns, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

During the year there were three emergent communications of Grand Lodge. The first was held on the 17th of February, 1910, for the purpose of attending the funeral of R. W. Bro. William Ernest Middleton, Deputy Grand Master. Bro. Middleton was a man of great ability and wide usefulness, and his loss was deeply deplored.

On the 13th of April an emergent communication was held at Montreal, for the purpose of attending the funeral of M. W. Bro. Alexander Allan Stevenson, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada. Full reference was made to the funeral and tribute paid to the worth and service of Col. Stevenson in the address of M. W. Bro. Macwatt at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada last year.

On the 20th of May, 1910, a memorial service was held at Windsor Hall, Montreal, as a lodge of sorrow for the death of M. W. Bro. King Edward VII. Grand Master Cameron was on the throne; there was a long array of distinguished Masons on the platform; and the hall was filled by about 1,200 of the Montreal brethren. The services were of an impresssive character. In his appreciative and well-considered remarks Bro. Cameron said:

But I do suggest that the services of King Edward VII. to our Masonic fraternity have been of immense value, and I particularly suggest to you that when, in the fulness of time, he came to the British throne, and felt called upon to resign the active duties of Grand Master of England, he assumed the title of Protector of the Fraternity, and thereby intimated that he still desired to retain his connection with the Craft, and that he believed in it as a useful and honorable institution, to be protected and to be fostered.

And so it is that while to-day we have mourned a King who was a Mason, to-night we especially mourn a Mason who was a King—a King who throughout his reign, actuated by true Masonic principles, sought to bring and maintain peace among all mankind.

In his address at the Annual Communication the Grand Master spoke encouragingly of the work of the year and hopefully of the future. He said:

You will learn from the Reports of the Grand Treasurer, the Grand Secretary and the District Deputy Grand Masters, that the craft in this jurisdiction is in a healthy condition and that progress has been made during the year. Once again the net increase in membership has exceeded that of the preceding year; while there has been a gratifying and substantial addition to our financial strength.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of two new lodges.

Two members, one of whom had been suspended for non-payment of dues, and the other had dimitted, joined the clandestine Lodge Emancipation. For this offence charges had been preferred against them.

Some District Deputy Grand Masters had not faithfully performed their duties; and the Grand Master suggested that they should not be entitled to past rank until Grand Lodge should be satisfied that the duties of the office had been faithfully performed. The committee on the Grand Master's address reported in favor of making this recommendation a notice of motion to amend the constitution in that particular at the next Annual Communication; and it was so ordered.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, who furnishes an excellent and valuable summary of the doings of most of the legitimate Grand Lodges of the world. He gives much space to Canada, and quotes liberally from our last proceedings. It is pleasant to notice that Bro. Chambers is not carried away by appeals to recognize the spurious and useless Masonry which is springing up in various places. He says:

There may be grave mistakes in the lectures of the Entered Apprentice degree, and we would much rather admit that there are such mistakes than acknowledge as legitimate, all the professed Masonry of the Latin countries of Europe and South America.

Lodges 64, including two under dispensation; members 6,633, a gain of 356.

The Rev. Frank Charters, Montreal, Grand Master.
Will H. White, Montreal, Grand Secretary.

QUEENSLAND.

During the Masonic year July 1, 1909 to July 1, 1910, the Grand Lodge of Queensland held four special meetings, two quarterly meetings and one Lodge of Sorrow, the last for the death of the late King Edward the Seventh.

The special meeting held August, 11, 1909, was presided over by the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. W. S. Byrne, the Grand Master, Lord Chelmsford, having removed from the jurisdiction. The main business transacted was the installation of the Grand Master elect, Adolphus Marcus Hertzberg. The ceremonies were most elaborate, and the occasion was one for review of the Masonic situation in Queensland. The Grand Lodge has not yet secured the adhesion of a majority of all the Craft lodges in the jurisdiction; and on that account some Masonic Powers still hesitate to recognize the young body. A better understanding, however, had been reached with parent bodies in England, Scotland and Ireland; and it was felt that a complete union of all the lodges would be secured in the near future. The Grand Master of New South Wales was the principal visitor of distinction.

Lord Chelmsford, the late Grand Master, is the representative in Queensland of the Grand Lodge of Canada; and since his removal he has been unanimously elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales.

The other special communications and the quarterly communications were for the transaction of ordinary business which is not of general interest.

The Lodge of Sorrow for the death of King Edward was largely attended, and the services were of an elaborate character. The main feature was an eloquent address by M. W. Bro. Hertzberg.

The Grand Lodge has established benevolent funds for the relief of needy brethren and the widows and orphans of Masons. The invested funds for this purpose amount to more than \$8,000, and during the year seven orphans were maintained by allowances to their mothers. The grants during the year amounted to £77. The expenses of administration appear to be relatively great.

Number of lodges 57. The number of members is not given.

A. M. Hertzberg Grand Master; Charles H. Harley Grand Secretary. We do not find the address of either.

RHODE ISLAND.

The semi-annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island was convened at Providence November 15, 1909. Stephen Magown, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master was wholly occupied with a report on the Philadelphia conference of Grand Masters.

A committee to which was referred the annual address of former Grand Master Chatterton approved the decision of that brother forbidding the use of vestments by lodge officers and the use of stereopticons in the ceremonies of the degrees. It recommended a donation of \$500 to Rev. Dr. Rugg, who had served as Grand Chaplain for forty years. It approved the refusal of the Grand Master to sanction the formation of a lodge to be composed of Italian residents of Providence. If we understand the matter, it was proposed that the Italian tongue should be used in this lodge; and, as an alternative, it was asked that permission should be given to have an Italian lodge warranted by the Grand Orient of Italy. The recommendations of the committee were adopted.

In order to protect the craft against impostors the Grand Master was directed to register under the laws of

the state the Masonic insignia and names, so that it will be impossible for any one to pretend to confer Masonic degrees and so gull the unwary.

An emergent meeting of Grand Lodge was held at Providence May 10, 1910, for the purpose of attending the funeral and performing the burial rites of the fraternity over the remains of Past Grand Master George Henry Kenyon, who was Grand Master from 1889 to 1891.

The one hundred and twentieth Annual Communication was opened at Providence May 16, 1910. Stephen Magown, Grand Master. Thirty-four lodges were represented; unrepresented 3.

The Grand Master reported that the year had been one of prosperity throughout the jurisdiction, and that the true spirit of brotherhood had been the watchword among the brethren.

He decided that a Junior Warden may confer degrees and administer an obligation in the absence of the Master and Senior Warden, or in the presence of the Worshipful Master, having that officer's permission.

Lodges 37; members 7,464, an increase of 315.

At the election Bro. Henry Warren Rugg was elected Grand Master, and was duly installed; but he held his rank for a short time only, for, on the 21st of July he died. He was a man of high attainments and varied activities. He was the pastor of a church in Providence for forty-four years; was Grand Chaplain for forty years; was an active member of the Providence School Committee for many years. "By his death," says the Deputy Grand Master, "Freemasonry has lost one of its best and most steadfast defenders."

James Bacon Gay, Providence, Acting Grand Master.

S. Penrose Williams, Providence, Grand Secretary.

SASKATCHEWAN.

The fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was opened at Saskatoon June 15, 1910. Harold Jagger Grand Master. Lodges represented 49; unrepresented 4. Four Past Grand Masters were present.

After the opening Grand Lodge was called off, and marched in procession to the temple of Saskatchewan

Lodge, No. 16, when the Grand Master dedicated the hall with impressive ceremonies.

On reopening Grand Lodge an address of welcome was delivered by the Mayor, R. W. Bro. Hopkins, which was responded to by the Grand Master in fitting terms.

The Grand Secretary read a letter of acknowledgment and thanks from R. W. Bro. Letchworth, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England, in response to a resolution of sympathy and sorrow for the death of King Edward the Seventh. Also a letter from R. W. Bro. James A. Ovas, Grand Secretary, announcing the election of M. W. Bro. Campkin as an honorary member of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

In opening his address the Grand Master said:

It is gratifying to be able to tell you that our Grand Lodge continues to prosper, and we are satisfied that our growth is commensurate with the growth and prosperity of this province. At the last meeting of this Grand Lodge we consisted of 40 Chartered Lodges, 13 Lodges to whom Charters were authorized to be issued, and 9 Lodges working under dispensation, a total of 62 Lodges. Now we have 53 Chartered Lodges and 23 Lodges working under Dispensations, a total of 76 Lodges. Our membership at the time of last Grand Lodge numbered 2,336, and to-day we number approximately 3,300.

During the year there had been one special meeting of Grand Lodge for the purpose of laying a corner stone.

He had refused an application to wear Masonic clothing at a funeral where the service was to be conducted by another society. Also an application to wear Masonic clothing at a public ball. It is gratifying to have assurance that our western brethren know how to maintain the dignity of Freemasonry.

He disallowed a by-law to the effect that newly-raised brethren must pass an examination in the work of the third degree before a Grand Lodge certificate would be applied for, on the ground that such by-law was unconstitutional; but he would like to see such a regulation permitted, or even made compulsory.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts for the year of \$4,201.89, and expenditures of \$3,485.89. There is a balance to the credit of the general fund of \$2,167.77, and of the benevolent fund of \$1,693.42.

R. W. Bro. A. S. Gorrell is chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and he presents an

excellent report. His heart was specially touched by a report of the laying of a corner stone at his old home, North March; and seeing the names of the distinguished brethren who took part in the ceremony, he exclaims: "How it brings back old times! Davidson, Wilson, Luke, May, Argue, Richardson. What a gathering of stalwarts, and all sober." Ah, yes, Bro. Gorrell, this Grand Jurisdiction has trained up some good Masons. Some of them are with us yet; some have gone to build up the great Canadian west; and some—well, may we be so fortunate as to meet them again.

The Rev. W. B. Tate, Qu'Appelle, Grand Master.
John M. Shaw, Regina, Grand Secretary.

SCOTLAND.

Quarterly meetings are held by the Grand Lodge of Scotland in February, May, August and November in each year. The Grand Committee, which corresponds to our Board of General Purposes, meets whenever there is business to be done. A large part of the business is granting of relief to the needy, either in the shape of annuities or of temporary grants, and the passing of accounts. Reports are received from time to time from the Provincial Grand Masters, but these are brief and of a strictly business character. The Provincial Grand Master for Roxburgh, Peebles and Selkirk reports that a special communication of the Provincial Grand Lodge was held at Melrose on the 20th of May, 1910, when, by permission of his Grace, the Duke of Buccleuch, a memorial service was held within the precincts of the venerable abbey of Melrose on the occasion of the funeral of his Majesty King Edward VII.

The Annual Communication was held in Glasgow, November 30, 1910, when the officers for 1911 were installed and invested. At the dinner which followed the Grand Master Depute gave some interesting statistics, concerning Masonry in Scotland, which show that the craft is prospering. He said:

The Grand total of Scottish Freemasons has been increased during the past year by 11,120 new members as compared with 9,738 last year. The income of Grand Lodge during the past year has been £10,270 as against £9,530 in the previous year—an increase of £740. In 1909 the Income of Grand Lodge was £9,530, and the expenditure £3,332. This year the income is £10,270, and the expenditure £3,481. During 1910 the grants from the

Benevolent Fund have amounted to £929. The sum of £2,700 has been paid to our Annuitants this year, and since the formation of the Annuity Fund, in 1889, the sum of £33,200 has been disbursed in this direction. The amount contributed this year to the Fund by Daughter Lodges amounted to £1,472, as compared with £1,447 last year, and for the twelve years, 1899 to 1910, the subscriptions have amounted to £11,872. The General Fund amounts to £24,709, the Benevolent Fund to £10,042, and the Annuity Fund to £78,308—making a grand total for the three Funds of £113,059. I think, brethren, you will be assured from these statistics that Grand Lodge is in a very flourishing condition.

New lodges had been formed not only in Scotland, but in India, Syria, Queensland, Siam, Rhodesia, Turkey in Asia, Egypt, and Spain. In all sixteen new lodges received charters.

The Masonic Hall, at Edinburgh, was found too small for the needs of Grand Lodge, and a new building is now in course of erection.

Lodges 765, of which 433 are in Scotland.

The Marquess of Tullibardine Grand Master.

David Reid, Edinburgh, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

The half-yearly Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Australia was opened at Adelaide October 20, 1909. Sir S. J. Way, P. C., Grand Master. The purpose of the meeting was the election of a Grand Secretary, in place of R. W. Bro. J. C. Cunningham, who had held the office for twenty-five years. Bro. Cunningham was a man of strong personality, a force in the Masonry of South Australia, and otherwise prominent in the affairs of the state. R. W. Bro. Charles R. J. Glover was chosen to succeed him.

The Annual Communication was held at Adelaide April 20, 1910. Sir Samuel J. Way was unanimously re-elected Grand Master; and the other officers were elected or appointed and invested. The Grand Master reported that the Craft in South Australia had enjoyed peace and prosperity during the year.

The invested funds of Grand Lodge amounted to £25,223, which includes the value of Freemasons' Hall, Adelaide. Indigent Freemasons and widows of Freemasons had been relieved to the amount of £520; casual assistance was given to the amount of £176; £31 was given to various charitable institutions; and £100 was sent to Italy to relieve distress caused

by the earthquake. Thus the 3595 Masons of South Australia distributed in one year charity to the amount of more than \$4100.

R. W. Bro. Glover, the Grand Secretary, writes the Foreign Correspondence, which is necessarily condensed, as he had but little time at his disposal. He says:

I find that there are 109 Sovereign Grand Lodges—50 in the United States, 9 in Canada, 5 in Central America, 9 in South America, 7 in Australia, 1 in Egypt, 1 in Liberia, and 3 in the United Kingdom, and 8 Grand Lodges control the German Empire. The remaining 16 are distributed throughout Europe.

No less than 18 Grand Lodges claim direct descent from the Grand Lodge of England, and of the whole 109, 70 work in the English Language.

European Grand Lodges have nearly 6,000 Lodges with an approximate membership of 400,000, of which nearly 75% is English.

The Grand Lodges of United States and Canada have 15,000 Lodges with a membership of nearly $1\frac{1}{2}$ millions. Central America has over 200 Lodges and 8,000 members, whilst South America has 1,000 Lodges with a membership of 40,000. Whilst Australia and New Zealand have some 800 Lodges with a membership of 45,000.

Lodges 53; members 3,595, an increase of 239.

Sir Samuel J. Way, Adelaide, Grand Master.

Charles R. J. Glover, Adelaide, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

One hundred and thirty-third Annual Communication, held at Charleston December 14 and 15, 1909. James L. Michie Grand Master.

Lodges represented 218; unrepresented 9.

The Grand Master strongly impressed upon Grand Lodge the duty of changing the law which defines the physical qualifications of candidates. Heretofore, and at present, to quote the words of a Grand Master's decision, "any physical defect, however slight, is sufficient to preclude the initiation of a candidate." Acting upon the recommendation of the Grand Master, a resolution was offered permitting the initiation of any man, "free born, of mature and discreet age, having no maim or defect in his body or mind that may render him incapable of learning and practicing the art, and who can comply literally with all the requirements of the ritual as to initiation ceremonies without artificial aid or friendly assistance." Under the rules this amendment cannot be considered until next year.

Bro. Michie thinks general conferences of Grand

Masters, or of representatives of Grand Lodges, will do good, but he strongly condemns the suggestion of a general grand lodge.

Dispensations were issued for the formation of four new lodges, and seven lodges under dispensation were constituted and consecrated.

A number of decisions were given, none of more than local interest.

The Grand Master regrets that contributions from subordinate bodies for the Masonic home have fallen off, and he urges greater liberality towards that institution. The home is not yet built, and the committee in charge of the funds reports more than \$33,000 in the treasury.

James R. Johnson, Charleston, was elected and installed Grand Master. In the excellent and eloquent speech he made after installation, Bro. Johnson said:

One of the most important events of my life occurred sixteen years ago, at the altar of Freemasonry—holy altar—made sacred by dedication to the cause of God and man; bringing man nearer to his Creator, and teaching the doctrine of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. Venerable because upon it the fire kindled by our ancient brethren in love has been kept brightly burning by their successors with increasing ardor until now the blaze is intense in its fervor, and has kept the tenets of our noble Order in all their pristine purity. This is a priceless heritage, and one that we must keep ever pure, and hand down to generations of our brethren yet unborn.

A very valuable digest of decisions made by Grand Masters and approved by Grand Lodge is incorporated in the Proceedings.

Grand Secretary Jacob T. Barron, who is the foreign correspondent, has been ill, and his report is deferred. Indeed, Bro. Barron had to be excused from attendance at the second day's session of Grand Lodge. Let us hope that his recovery may be speedy and complete.

Lodges 227; members 12,515; an increase of 759.

James R. Johnston, Charleston, Grand Master.

John T. Barron, Columbia, Grand Secretary.

1910.

The one hundred and thirty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina was opened at Charleston December 13, 1910. James R. Johnson Grand Master. Lodges represented 220; unrepresented 8. Six Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master reported the death of M. W. Bro. Jacob T Barron, who was Grand Master in 1897 and 1898, and had been Grand Secretary for the four years preceding his death; also the death of R. W. Bro. Zimmerman Davis, who had been Grand Treasurer for a quarter of a century. The loss of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer in one year was severely felt by the craft throughout the jurisdiction.

Bro. Johnson strongly recommended a change in the law as to physical requirements of candidates. At present the slightest physical blemish disqualifies; and the Grand Master suggests that a candidate be required to have "no maim or defect in body or mind that may render him incapable of learning and practicing the art, and who can comply literally with all the requirements of the ritual as to initiation ceremonies, without artificial aid or friendly assistance."

He was able to congratulate the brethren upon peace, progress and prosperity within the jurisdiction, and harmony with all sister jurisdictions.

He approved of co-operation in establishing a memorial to Washington, the Mason.

He had appointed, on the recommendation of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, W. Bro. Joseph C. Bartram of Ottawa, representative near this Grand Lodge.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of six new lodges; one dormant lodge had been revived; and three lodges under dispensation had been constituted and consecrated.

Many decisions were made, only one of which seems to be of general interest. A candidate wished to affirm, instead of being sworn; and the ruling was that the affirmation was not legal; the candidate "must repeat the obligation word for word." Correct.

He reported that the fund for the erection of a Masonic Home had reached the amount of \$45,000. "At this rate," said Bro. Johnson, "it will not be many years before we may expect to see the result of our savings working for the amelioration of our orphans, worthy distressed Master Masons, their wives and widows. We can then felicitate ourselves that our Masonry is indeed practical."

The Foreign Correspondence had been in the able hands of M. W. Bro. Barron, the Grand Secretary; but, being in failing health, that brother asked M. W. Bro. J. L. Michie to do the work for him. Before it was finished Bro. Barron passed away, and the Grand Master requested Bro. Michie to continue it. There is no doubt whatever that Bro. Michie will prove a valuable member of the "Mutuals," or that his annual report will be welcomed. He craves indulgence for his work; but that is mere fishing for compliments. He knows it is good work, and that no indulgence is needed.

In his kindly and appreciative review of Canada, Bro. Michie refers to the gift of a full set of undress regalia to Grand Lodge by M. W. Bro. John Ross Robertson, and asks: "What does this mean? We never heard of undress clothing for the officers of a Grand Lodge. Will our Canadian brethren please explain?" Certainly, with pleasure: The Century Dictionary gives a meaning of undress thus: "Pertaining to ordinary attire; hence, informal; unostentatious; simple: as, an undress uniform." Military officers have full dress uniforms and undress uniforms. The Masonic clothing of Grand Lodge officials in this jurisdiction is elaborate, heavy and somewhat cumbersome. It is worn on what may be called state occasions. At other times the plainer, lighter and simpler undress clothing may be worn.

In 1908 the Grand Master of South Carolina, (apparently Bro. Michie), ruled that it is not competent for a brother who has never been elected or installed as Worshipful Master or Warden to sit in the Master's chair and open the lodge or confer degrees; and that ruling seems to have been criticized; for Bro. Michie explains that while the Master may call any brother to the East to assist him while conferring degrees, such brother should never sit in the Master's chair and preside over the lodge. In this jurisdiction the rule is more strict; for, though a Warden may rule the lodge in the absence of the Master, he may not occupy the Master's chair, and he may not work degrees at any time. No brother not installed in the chair of King Solomon may sit in that chair officially; and only Masters are installed: Wardens are invested.

Lodges 234, including six under dispensation; members 13,171, a gain of 645.

James R. Johnson, Charleston, Grand Master.

O. Frank Hart, Columbia, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Thirty-sixth Annual Communication, held at Pierre June 14, 1910. Samuel A. Brown Grand Master.

Lodges represented 92; unrepresented 29.

The representative of this Grand Lodge does not appear to have been present.

Among the lamented dead of the jurisdiction was Past Grand Master Byron P. Dague, who died May 8, 1910. His Masonic record is somewhat remarkable. He was initiated April 4, 1893; passed April 6; raised April 7. Thus in three days after his initiation he was a Master Mason. In 1894 he was elected Senior Warden of his lodge, and in 1895 he became its Master. In two years and seven months after he first saw light in Masonry he began to rule his lodge, and remained Master six years. While still acting Master he was appointed Assistant Grand Lecturer and elected Junior Grand Warden. He was elected Grand Master in June, 1903, ten years and two months from the date of his initiation.

In 1878 the Grand Lodge passed a resolution severing all relations with the Grand Orient of France, because that body had removed the volume of the sacred law from its altars and refused to demand from candidates a belief in the Great Architect of the Universe, and further directing lodges in South Dakota not to receive brethren hailing from any Grand Lodge holding fellowship with the Grand Orient of France. The Grand Master asked Grand Lodge to interpret that resolution, with a view to determine whether or not fraternal relations might be maintained or entered into with Grand Bodies which recognize the Grand Orient. The committee reported that the resolution of non-intercourse was intended to apply to those bodies only which do not require as a prerequisite of Masonic faith a belief in the existence of a Supreme Being. The report was adopted, and the Grand Secretary was instructed to enter into correspondence with all the Grand Bodies in Germany and the Grand lodges of Sweden and Denmark. with a view to the establishment of fraternal relations.

The Grand Lodge of Oregon having proposed a general system of demits uniform throughout the United States, the Grand Lodge of South Dakota declared itself not in favor of the proposal.

It was decided not to be expedient to take any action looking to the formation of a general Grand Lodge.

Bro. Arthur H. Tufts handles the foreign correspondence with ability and discretion.

Lodges 121; members 8301; an increase of 566.

Samuel S. Lockhart, Milbank, Grand Master.

George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Grand Secretary.

TASMANIA.

The twentieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania was held at Launceston February 24, 1911. Hon C. E. Davis Grand Master. Lodges represented 14, unrepresented 11. One Past Grand Master was present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not recorded as present.

The business generally was not of great interest, being mostly of a routine character. The receipts were about \$2,250 and the ordinary expenditure about \$1,250. The invested capital is \$17,500. About \$1,250 was expended in benevolence. In proportion to membership this was more than the Grand Lodge of Canada expends. Our antipodal brethren never forget their duty to the needy.

It is satisfactory to note, in the report of the Grand Secretary, the statement that "the feeling of members of the Board is opposed to entering into close relations with foreign bodies of whose status and methods of working we are ignorant, and about whom we have no means of obtaining information." That is right; it is well to prove bodies, as well as individuals, to be Masons before we recognize them as Masons.

It is also pleasant to read, in the report of the Pro-Grand Master, that he has little to say because "everything is working so harmoniously."

The Hon. C. E. Davies was unanimously re-elected Grand Master. His address was merely formal, but recorded peace, prosperity and progress.

Lodges 25; members 1,445, a gain of 74.

Hon. C. E. Davies, Hobart, Grand Master.

John Hamilton, Launceston, Grand Secretary.

TENNESSEE.

A special communication of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee was held at Nashville September 28, 1910, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of Freemasons' Hall, which was being erected by the Grand Lodge. There was a large attendance of officers and members of Grand Lodge, as well as of the Craft generally, and the ceremonies were conducted in an impressive manner by the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Charles H. Byrn.

In his address the Grand Master said that the first lodge in Tennessee was St. Tammany, No. 1, which received its charter in 1776 from the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. Some of the most distinguished sons of the state have been Masons, including Andrew Jackson, Sam Houston, John Bell and Emerson Etheridge. Further on he said:

Freemasonry never held an inquisition, piled or lighted a fagot, racked or tortured a human victim. Against these practices, and such as these, she has always raised the voice of protest, in the XIX as in the XVI century. She has instilled into her disciples the practice of the virtues of Temperance, Prudence, Fortitude and Justice; has practiced Friendship and Brotherly Love, and in sermon and song has taught "how beautiful and how good it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

To comply with the provisions of the constitution, Grand Lodge was opened in Annual Communication and immediately called off from labor to refreshment until March 8, 1911, in order that the business meeting might be held in the new temple, at which time the dedication ceremonies might also take place.

Grand Lodge was called on at the date named, with the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Byrn, in the Grand East. Lodges represented 431; unrepresented 13. Sixteen Past Grand Officers were present, and 27 representatives of Grand Lodges, among whom was R. W. Bro. Samuel Slager, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Among the names of departed brethren appears that of M. W. Bro. John R. Smith, who was Grand Master in 1902.

During the year four lodge rooms had been dedicated, eleven corner-stones laid, and dispensations granted too many to count. Two charters had been issued to lodges under dispensation, and six dispensations for the formation of new lodges.

Many decisions were given, none of which appear to be of more than local interest.

At noon, on the first day of the meeting, the new temple was dedicated with imposing ceremonies.

Will the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. John B. Garratt, please note that the residence of R. W. Bro. James McLachlan, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee near this Grand Lodge, is Owen Sound, not London, as given by the Tennessee Proceedings?

R. W. Bro. H. A. Chambers is chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and presents an excellent report. We copy from his introductory remarks a statement respecting Masonry in the Republic of Mexico:

For several years the question of recognition of Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico has been agitated in Tennessee. On this account we have watched the Proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions on this matter, and have noted herein such action or expression as we found. This is shown in our reviews of Colorado, Illinois, Nevada, Ohio, Texas, Wisconsin and West Virginia. Several of these had already recognized Valle de Mexico, but all deplore the present unsatisfactory condition of Freemasonry in that Grand Lodge. The condition is bad in Mexico generally. It seems that at the last meeting of Valle de Mexico a large part of the Mexican members, including the Grand Secretary, with the seal and records, withdrew, or rather, met at another place, and claimed to be the real Grand Lodge, while the American members with the remnant of officers continued to hold possession of the first place of meeting. The result is two separate bodies, each claiming to be the true and only Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico within the Federal District. Grand Lodge Vera Cruz has revived its claim to jurisdiction over the entire republic of Mexico,—while the Grand Lodges, Benito Juarez and Coahuila, are also bestirring themselves and also giving trouble to some of the Jurisdictions in the United States.

Lodges 450, including six under dispensation; members 24,802, an increase of 967.

John R. Rison, Paris, Grand Master.

John B. Garratt, Nashville, Grand Secretary.

TEXAS.

The seventy-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Texas was opened at Waco December 6, 1910. T. C. Yantis Grand Master. Lodges represented 516; unrepresented 286. Fifteen Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Elmer Renfro, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

M. W. Bro. Yantis reported that he had, during the year, visited Europe, Deputy Grand Master Acker acting for him during his absence. He had been fraternally greeted in England and Scotland, but visited no lodges on the continent. He said: "While Masonry throughout Europe is progressing satisfactorily to the craft there, my impression is that it is not reaching the masses of the people as it is in our country."

He said there had been great dissension among the lodges in Mexico, with "split-ups, reorganizations and new organizations," and he asked Past Grand Master George W. Tyler to report thereon. Bro. Tyler reported recommending recognition of the reorganized Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico; and the report was subsequently adopted.

Twenty-seven lodges under dispensation had been constituted and consecrated during the year.

He paid a high tribute to the worth of M. W. Bro. Sam. R. Hamilton, who died in August last. Bro. Hamilton was chairman of the committee on Masonic History, and was engaged on a history of Masonry in Texas at the time of his death.

No less than ten lodges had lost their charters by fire. In each case a duplicate charter was issued.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of eight new lodges.

Among his decisions are the following:

1. A Worshipful Master cannot call off a stated meeting beyond the day fixed in the by-laws.

2. A Masonic lodge cannot meet in a hall occupied by another order, or used for other than Masonic purposes.

3. Entertainments cannot be held in the lodge room and ante-rooms, and the public invited thereto.

4. In the absence of the Worshipful Master the Senior Warden succeeds to the powers and duties of the Worshipful Master.

W. Bro. A. W. Houston, the Grand Orator, delivered an address on "Our Obligation." From it we extract the following paragraph:

It is not to be expected that any human institution will bring perfection to its members, but we do claim, and have a right to believe, that by organized, united and well-directed effort among ourselves we may set in motion an influence which strengthens the weak and gives new impulse to the strong, and ultimately

results in the elevation of all to higher and nobler endeavor. Some there are who can never be reached or inspired by the lessons of precept or example, but the God-given inclination to rise to better things is down deep in the hearts of most men, and the timely word, the gentle touch, the shining example, will not fail to awaken the aspiration to higher and better achievement.

Bro. the Rev. A. E. Baten addressed Grand Lodge on the subject, "The Bible and the Masonic Brotherhood." In it he said:

One of the most delightful facts concerning this great book is, that it is the friend in need who is said to be the friend indeed. It is our greatest friend in the hour of our greatest need. It is the great light that shines across the cold, dark river when we first begin to brush the dew upon its chilly banks. It is that upon which we can pillow our heads in that momentous hour and see the gleam of light that pours in sublime effulgence from the pearly gates of the eternal city.

Bro. Matthews continues the report on Foreign Correspondence, and presents an excellent summary of the doings of sixty-four Grand Lodges. He approves of conferences of Grand Masters, thinking that by them friction may be obviated and more perfect state of peace and harmony brought about. For his kindly and fraternal welcome of this writer to the corps of reviewers will he please accept our thanks?

Lodges 824; members 50,027, an increase of 2,326.

Walter Acker, Waxahatchie, Grand Master.

John Watson, Waco, Grand Secretary.

UTAH.

The fortieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Utah was opened at Salt Lake City January 17, 1911. Charles Bruerton Jack, Grand Master. Lodges represented 14; unrepresented 1. Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present; the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

In his address the Grand Master said:

In every Lodge of our jurisdiction we have found an ambition to do exact ritualistic work, combined with an earnest desire to display that true spirit of Masonry which your Grand Officers have at all times and on every occasion sought to emphasize and inculcate.

Our relations toward all other recognized bodies of Masonry continue most cordial and harmonious. Our hearts go out to our Brothers in other lands who are waging war for freedom against the hosts of ignorance and oppression.

Our Fraternity has at times met strong opposition, and some of our enemies are again quite active. But so long as we maintain our ideals, the desire to promote happiness, increase knowledge, encourage patriotism and insist upon unswerving loyalty, we

shall be prepared to meet any contingency. A free home in a free land among free people will never be lightly surrendered.

Our brethren in Utah, are, like those in Quebec, environed by powerful and intolerant ecclesiastical influences; but such opposition only makes them more united and earnest, while it does not retard their progress.

One of the Grand Master's decisions was the following:

If the Worshipful Master elect be not qualified for installation, none of the Officers can be installed. A Lodge starts anew each year, and if it has no member qualified to serve as Master, or does not see fit to elect such a Brother, it must cease work.

Doubtless that is in conformity with the law in Utah; but in this jurisdiction the old Master of the lodge would continue in office; he is installed for a year or until his successor is duly elected and installed in his stead.

An event of Masonic importance to the Utah brethren was the golden wedding of R. W. Bro. Christopher Diehl, the Grand Secretary. The Grand Master said:

It was with greatest pleasure that seventeen hundred Masons of Utah gathered, in person or by representation, at Masonic Hall on the 13th of last May to remind our beloved Chris. that he is dear to us; to bid him cast a glance backward over the years and in the divine pencilings of a golden West read the benediction "well done," then face the East and watch for the happiness of coming years, which we trust will be many.

The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was recognized.

An assistant to the Grand Secretary was appointed.

It was resolved to have the Grand Lodge incorporated under the laws of the State of Utah.

R. W. Bro. Diehl writes his thirty-fifth report on Foreign Correspondence. And here let us acknowledge with contrition that we have done Bro. Diehl injustice. Last year it was said that M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson was probably the dean of the corps of correspondents. Bro. Diehl is undoubtedly entitled to that honor; and we can only wish that he may be spared to write thirty-five more reports. Of Bro. Henry Robertson, Bro. Diehl kindly says:

We very much regret that Bro. Robertson leaves the round table of the Reviewers' Guild, each member of which held him in high esteem because his reports were always written in kindness and love, and he being a profound Masonic student, his judgment and conclusions of all important questions were never disputed. Besides all that he was always a perfect English gentleman of the old school. We hope the beautiful climate of South-

ern California will improve his health and whether he returns to our club room or not, wish that his last days may be his best days.

Lodges 15, including one under dispensation; members 1,779, an increase of 141.

Gilbert Benjamin Pfoutz, Salt Lake City, Grand Master.

Christopher Diehl, Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary.

VERMONT.

The one hundred and seventeenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Vermont. was opened at Burlington, June 15, 1910. Lee S. Tillotson Grand Master.

Lodges represented 93; unrepresented 11. Eight Past Grand Masters were present. The name of the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada does not appear.

In his address the Grand Master said:

Three times since I was a Master Mason, and twice during my administration as Grand Master, I have been called upon to deliver the Masonic burial service for one who had died by his own hand.

And that suggests the very serious question whether or not the Masonic burial service should be read over the grave of a suicide. There is much to be said for and against it.

Grand Lodge is contesting in the courts the right of a municipality to tax the Masonic temple.

One Charles Keith, a resident of Vermont, while on a visit to Scotland, was made a Mason at Aberdeen. While recognizing the right of lodges in Scotland to decide upon the qualifications of their own candidates, Bro. Tillotson decided that Masons so made had no Masonic standing in Vermont, and directed the brethren throughout the state to "hold no Masonic intercourse with the said Charles Keith until such time as he shall receive the Masonic degrees in a regular manner as recognized by the Grand Lodge of Vermont."

Vermont gives subordinate lodges the right to accept, after one year, material which has been rejected in that or any other jurisdiction. Bro. Tillotson recommended that the rejection should act as a bar for five years; and the recommendation was approved.

An application for recognition by the Grand Lodge Alpina, of Switzerland, was referred to the committee on Foreign Correspondence, which has not yet reported.

M. W. Bro. Marsh O. Perkins is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, who submits a good report, as far as it goes; but it deals with the Proceedings of 33 lodges only. Canada has no notice.

Lodges 104; members 12,933, a gain of 281.

Henry L. Ballou, Chester, Grand Master.

Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Secretary.

VIRGINIA.

One hundred and thirty-second Annual Communication, held at Richmond, February 8, 1910. Joseph W. Eggleston, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is one of the most interesting we have seen.

The death of Past Grand Master Kosciusko Kemper was recorded. The sad event took place at Washington, January 26, 1910.

Here is a paragraph which interests Canadian Masons nearly:

One case impressed me greatly. A brilliant son of one of our best beloved Masons was taken ill and died in far off Canada. His father hastened to his bedside, and though the son was only an Entered Apprentice, no possible kindliness was omitted by the Masons of the town; and when the time came those splendid brethren, citizens of another country as they were, went so far as to attend the funeral informally, and they each dropped the sprig of acacia in the grave. They deserve our grateful thanks, and I wrote the Grand Master, thanking them, through him, on behalf of the Masons of Virginia. In his reply to my letter the Grand Master of Canada ended with this sentence: "It shows that no matter what imaginary lines divide our respective countries, there is no dividing line in Masonry."

"Masonry in Virginia," said the Grand Master, "is at high tide—high tide in numbers, skill in the ritual, in financial prosperity, and, best of all, in devotion to the exalted principles that go to make a Mason in every best sense a man."

Among the decisions are several of more than local interest. One is that Masons may settle their differences in the courts without violating any Masonic obligation.

2. The loss of one eye is no bar to the petition of a profane.

3. A brother who prefers charges against another which appear to be groundless and the result of hatred, malice, or unwarrantable passion, is subject to penalty.

4. A lodge cannot turn out on parade with other organizations as part of a carnival procession.

Bro. Eggleston received a letter from a sister of the order of the Eastern Star asking him to hunt up her recreant lover, who had got away from her. He declined, partly, at least, on the ground that the writer signed herself as "Mrs.," and he thought it wise to "bevare of the vidders."

Bro. Eggleston, like some other Grand Masters, has had trouble with some people who wished to exploit Masonry for private gain by forming a "Masonic Mutual life Association." He issued a circular warning all Masters of lodges that to endorse such schemes was anti-Masonic. He says: "The Grand Lodge acted upon this matter some twelve or fifteen years ago, and emphatically frowned upon the use of Masonry, directly or indirectly, for business purposes." He adds that, some time ago, one of these institutions defrauded the Masons of Virginia, "and we cannot risk another such injury to the good name of our institution."

The foreign correspondence is conducted by the outgoing Grand Master M. W. Bro. J. W. Eggleston. He complains that his brother scribes say too many nice things about him, and do not criticize him enough. Well, dear brother, say something mean, or weak, or unmasonic, and see what will happen. Just try it once. And that reminds us that, "right here and now," we are going to quarrel with Bro. Eggleston. In his review of Florida, he says: "Better choke off the kickers, and let the Grand Master and committees have ample space," meaning space in the printed proceedings. And that is where he is wrong. An active and fearless "kicker" is one of the most valuable members of Grand Lodge. In some jurisdictions an opinion has become prevalent than there is "too much Grand East." Certainly the brother who sits in the body of the room, and represents his lodge, is as much entitled to speak, when he has anything to say, as any other member of Grand Lodge.

Lodges 312; members 20,732; an increase of 1,049.

William B. McChesney, Staunton, Grand Master.

George W. Carrington, Richmond, Grand Secretary.

VICTORIA.

The Proceedings of the United Grand Lodge of Victoria, for the year 1910, cover four quarterly meetings and one which was called as a lodge of sorrow.

At the meeting held in March, Sir T. D. Gibson Carmichael, who had been re-elected Grand Master at the December meeting, was installed.

The Board of General Purposes reported that, at Government House, on the 19th of January, the Grand Master had, in presence of a representative gathering of Freemasons, presented an address of welcome to Field Marshal Lord Kitchener.

The Board had decided that a brother who had served two broken periods as Warden, making a year in all, was not eligible to the office of Master.

A candidate for the Board of Benevolence who had sent out circulars was severely censured.

The Grand Secretary reported that there was at the credit of the Benevolent Fund £19,673 15s. 11d., and of the General Fund £2,114 18s.

The Grand Master referred to the completion of the new Masonic Hall, on which £17,182 14s. 5d. had been spent.

The lodge of sorrow was held May 20, the day of King Edward's funeral. About 1,600 Masons were present, and the ceremonies were of an impressive character.

At the December meeting the Board of General Purposes reported that it had refused a request from a Melbourne lodge to hold a musical evening at which ladies would be present, and "had laid down a general rule that no function at which ladies should be present should take place in the rooms adjacent to the lodge rooms."

Sir Thomas Carmichael was re-elected Grand Master.

The M. W. Pro Grand Master said he had much pleasure, on behalf of Bro. R. A. Stennett, in presenting to Grand Lodge a certificate dated February 8, 1808. It was written on skin, and signed by the Master, Wardens and Secretary of Lodge No. 8, held in the 90th Regiment of Foot in the Island of Saint Vincent, West Indies, under the register of the Imperial Grand Lodge of Andalusia, Old Spain; and certified to the initiation, passing and raising of Bro. Henry Bowman.

Lodges 199; number of members at close of 1909 11,271, an increase of 365.

Sir T. D. Gibson Carmichael, Melbourne, Grand Master.

Charles James Barrow, Freemasons' Hall, Melbourne, Grand Secretary.

WASHINGTON.

The fifty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Washington was opened at Tacoma, June 21, 1910. William Ray Baker Grand Master. Lodges represented 165, including two under dispensation; unrepresented 6. No less than thirteen Past Grand Masters were present.

Grand Master Baker reported peace throughout the jurisdiction, a gratifying increase in numbers, and excellence in the quality of the new members.

He deplored the death of Asa L. Brown, a Past Grand Master of Washington, who had been a resident of Wisconsin for many years.

Five lodges were constituted and consecrated during the year, and a dispensation was issued for the formation of one new lodge.

He thinks the system of District Deputy Grand Masters good, and recommends its continuance; but says that in three districts, having thirty-five lodges, no brother holding a certificate of proficiency could be found to fill the office. This fact reflects severely upon the Masons of Washington. How could the Worshipful Masters of lodges be installed if they had no certificate of proficiency? Again, the question will arise, if the District Deputies do their work efficiently what need is there of a Grand Lecturer?

He sought and procured incorporation for Grand Lodge by the legislature of the State, having learned that some clandestine bodies contemplated that step for themselves. The law of Washington provides penalties for persons wearing the emblems or using the name of an incorporated society; and if one of the clandestine bodies should secure incorporation the legitimate body might be deprived of the name it had so long and so honorably worn.

The Committee on Correspondence submitted a report respecting the Mexican Grand Lodge Valle de Mex-

ico. The main facts appear to be that a Grand Lodge working the French ritual of the Scottish Rite was in existence, that English-speaking Masons gained control of the body and framed a new constitution and by-laws, "framed after those of New Mexico." The lodges which opposed the change afterwards withdrew and formed a new Grand Lodge. After a while a proposal was made that the two bodies recognize each other, the Mexicans continuing to work the French ritual of the Scottish Rite, and the others working the ritual of the "York Rite," the two bodies to have concurrent jurisdiction throughout the republic. The situation is further complicated by the fact that there are several other bodies claiming to be Grand Lodges for some of the separate states of the republic. The committee recommended that the Grand Master be authorized, if the proposed arrangement shall be carried out, to exchange representatives with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico (York Rite), and that it be recognized as a sovereign and independent Masonic body.

M. W. Bro. Stephen J. Chadwick has charge of the Foreign Correspondence, who presents an excellent report, giving evidence of ability and industry. There is some reason to think that he does not clearly distinguish between the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina and the International Bureau for Masonic Affairs.

The former appears to be a legitimate and regular grand body. It is recognized by a majority of the regular Grand Lodges, including that of England. The other is a self-constituted bureau, the main object of which appears to be to secure recognition of the Grand Orient of France, and to defend its action in removing the Volume of the Sacred Law from its altars and the name of the Great Architect of the Universe from its ritual.

In his closing remarks Bro. Chadwick says, respecting the making of President Taft a "Mason at sight":

When properly understood and applied it may be said that the Grand Master may make a Mason at sight; that is he may open an occasional Lodge, and confer the degrees one after another, dispensing with ballot and probationary period (which at best is statutory); but the right to make a Mason by obligating him in the three degrees and rendering the explanatory lectures in his presence, as was done in the Taft case, has no warrant in reason or authority, nor is it be sustained by precedent worthy of the name. It has been said that Vice-President Fairbanks was made a Mason in the way that President Taft

was made. This is not so, as will be seen by reference to "Wisconsin." Bro. Fairbanks received the degrees, the only dispensation being a waiver of the probationary period; but even then enough time was taken to allow him to become proficient in the preceding degree.

That is all right as far as it goes; but would it not be better to put the matter in this way: The constitution of the Grand Lodge of Ohio gives the Grand Master power to make Masons at sight: the Grand Master exercised that power: what are you going to do about it?

Lodges 168, including three under dispensation; members 14,473, a gain of 1068.

Jeremiah Neterer, Bellingham, Grand Master.

Horace Walter Tyler, Seattle, Grand Secretary.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Quarterly meetings were held in July and October, 1909, and January and April, 1910. Right Reverend C. O. Riley, D.D., Lord Bishop of Perth, Grand Master. The lodges were well represented at all meetings.

In his address at the July meeting the Grand Master said:

I do not know that it is wise to notice attacks which are made upon us, sometimes even by those in high places. But why a man ought not to be a Governor because he is a Mason passes my comprehension. A Governor represents the King, who was for twenty-five years Grand Master of England.

Those who say these things must know that if a man is a true Mason he must be a law-abiding citizen. He must be a citizen, too, of good morals, and more than that, a citizen whose life is to be spent in trying to do good. Surely these are just the men we want, not only to be Governors, but to be in every rank of society.

Some people won't have anything to do with us. We cannot help that; we have no quarrel with them. We only wish to be allowed to develop our organization in a quiet, peaceful manner, and believing that in the past, as in the present, and as we hope in the future, Masonry is for the uplifting of the people, and the cementing together of men of divers views on all other matters in one great brotherhood. That at least is a need of the times. That need we are trying to supply.

These persistent and ignorant assaults upon our order remind us of the big Englishman who allowed his little wife to beat him. When asked why he permitted this, he said, "Well, it pleases she and it don't 'urt I." While these assailants are publishing their diatribes Masonry goes calmly on its way teaching the truth and doing good.

It was ruled that a Mason who had been "permanently excluded," that is expelled, might be accepted as a new member by the lodge to which he had formerly belonged "by the usual process of proposition and ballot."

Fraternal relations have been established with lodges in Western Australia holding under the Scottish Grand Lodge.

A Senior Warden who had not served as Junior Warden, and who was not invested for a month after the regular installation, was declared ineligible to the Master's chair.

Fraternal relations were established with the Grand Lodge of Greece.

It was ruled that Grand Lodge had a right to restore an expelled member, such restored brother becoming an unaffiliated Mason, who might be accepted as a joining member by any lodge.

In January of this year the Grand Master had a visit from R. W. Bro. Lord Kitchener. The distinguished soldier is Past Grand Warden of England, Past District Grand Master of Egypt and the Soudan, and is at present District Grand Master of the Punjaub.

Non-payment of dues, and consequent suspension, are as keenly felt evils in Australia as in Canada. Last year, in Western Australia, no less than 109 members were suspended for this cause; and there was an actual loss of membership. It is easy to deplore the failure of members to meet their financial obligations: it is not easy to devise a remedy.

The benevolent fund amounts to more than \$15,000.

During the year the lodges paid to Grand Lodge on account of benevolence more than \$2,700, or about 80 cents per member. At the same time the dues paid to Grand Lodge amounted to about \$1.25 per member. The total receipts by Grand Lodge from the private lodges amounted to £2,025, or about \$2.75 per member. It is evident that our Australian brethren are willing to pay money liberally for the support of the order and for the relief of the sick and distressed.

Bishop Riley was reelected Grand Master.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is conducted by a committee, each member of which takes a certain portion of the work. The report on Canada is by V. W. Bro. A. C. McCallum, who has done his work well and

appreciatively. He thinks the Grand Master of this jurisdiction in 1908 was wrong in not pressing more energetically the prosecution of a lodge in which grave balloting irregularities had taken place. Perhaps Bro. McCallum is right. He says: "Freemasonry has no place for such individuals, and the lodge and the craft would be the better for their absence." True; but at the same time it seemed impossible to secure a conviction.

Lodges 85, including three under dispensation; members 3,687, a net loss for the year of 199.

Right Reverend C. O. L. Riley, D.D., Perth, Grand Master.

J. D. Stevenson, Perth, Grand Secretary.

WEST VIRGINIA.

The forty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia was opened at Hinton November 16, 1910. Frank Wells Clark Grand Master. Lodges represented 136; unrepresented 6. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present. We do not notice the name of the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada among those who were formally received.

In opening his address the Grand Master said:

Peace, harmony and prosperity mark the condition of Freemasonry in Western Virginia, as we come together in the City of Hinton, in this Forty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge. The reports which have come up to me from the Lodges and from the officers of the Grand Lodge have been, uniformly, of the most encouraging and gratifying nature. Never before was Freemasonry such a great power for righteousness in our Commonwealth as to-day.

Eight special communications had been held, one for constituting a lodge, two for dedicating lodge rooms, and five for laying corner-stones.

Many decisions were given, all being interpretations of local law.

Bro. Clark attended the Philadelphia Conference of Grand Masters, and approves of such conferences. He also strongly recommends the proposal to erect at Alexandria, Virginia, a monument to the memory of Washington, the Mason.

In an eloquent and impressive tribute to Masonry the Grand Master said:

From this ancient and honorable Order we have received an impression, profounder, perhaps, than any which has ever come

into our lives, that there is that in man which is immortal; and from the Lodge Room we return to our daily routine of duty, our souls kindling with this inspiration; believing, even as we have not yet believed, that life is worth while; that the faithful performance of duty here but fits us for greater responsibilities and usefulness in a more tolerable existence beyond Death's dark river.

Profound belief in Deity, then, and sincere conviction in the belief that there is that in our complex nature which is immortal—those two greatest anchors of the soul—we have had impressed upon us in Masonry; and out of these profoundest of all truths grows the true inwardness and spirit of the Fraternity.

Masonry teaches, as does no other philosophy in the world, the true end and aim of existence, and the true nobility of labor. Here we have been taught, to use the language of Lord Bacon, to exercise, in prosperity, the virtue of temperance; in adversity, that of fortitude; in short to develop character and virtue under all the circumstances and in all the conditions of life.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence, in a special report, says:

It will be seen that all is not peace, harmony and brotherly love with our brethren of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, yet in it all we can but realize that Mexican Masonry is passing through the crucible and having the dross and impurities removed that the pure metal may be retained. We have no recommendation to make in the premises. We can only wait and see the outcome of the labor, vexations and disappointments of our brethren of this Grand Lodge in their worthy attempt to purify, build and maintain true and pure Ancient Craft Masonry and principles among this hot-blooded restless and unstable people.

A special committee was appointed to consider the question: "What are recognized as the landmarks of Masonry in West Virginia?" and to report at the next annual communication. The report will be looked for with interest.

A very interesting sketch of Early Freemasonry in West Virginia was read by W. Bro. Virgil A. Lewis. Masonry was introduced into Virginia about the middle of the eighteenth century. The first lodge in the territory now composing West Virginia was established in 1786. The Grand Lodge of course was not formed until West Virginia was separated from the Old Dominion and erected into an independent state.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. H. R. Howard, the Grand Secretary, who presents an excellent summary of the doings of sixty-six Grand Lodges. He approves of the card-index system of keeping record of members, and points out that the "loose-leaf" system has been tried in California and abandoned.

Bro. Howard seems to have the right idea of the duties of the Foreign Correspondent. He says:

The reviews presented in this report are the result of delving into several thousand pages of Grand Lodge proceedings and correspondence reports and giving them such thought and study from time to time as odd opportunities would permit. My effort has been to extract from these sources facts and matters that would convey such information to my brethren as would be useful and at the same time please them and awaken an interest in Masonic work. May my effort not have been in vain.

Lodges 143, including one under dispensation; members 14,079, an increase of 872.

Wyndham Stokes, Welch, Grand Master.

H. R. Howard, Point Pleasant, Grand Secretary.

WISCONSIN.

Sixty-sixth Annual Communication, held at Milwaukee June 14, 1910. Alvin T. Webb Grand Master.

Lodges represented 241; unrepresented 25.

Fourteen Past Masters were in attendance.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master said:

We think of Masonry as world-wide. Sectional lines or state boundaries limit not its usefulness, and among all civilized nations the great heart of Masonry pulsates as a living and mighty influence, educating and uplifting the race toward the realization of the sublime truths which ascend even to the Great Architect of the Universe itself.

Among the lamented dead was William C. Swain, who was Grand Master in 1893. He was a man of ability and influence, and his death is a distinct loss to the craft in Wisconsin.

The Grand Master had received a request to permit a lodge to hold an entertainment for members of the lodge, their wives and families, at which it was proposed to "give a portion of the monitorial lectures, which the Master considered not secret, using lantern slides illustrating the same." Very properly the request was refused. The Master of a lodge who could make such a request shows poor understanding of the obligations he has taken.

A request to permit a lodge to become a member of a charity association composed mainly of churches and other fraternal orders, was also refused. Bro. Webb said: "A lodge should be in a position to handle its charity funds separately, and not to submit them to outside control." He might have added that Masons do

not publish to the world the names of those who receive assistance.

Receipts for the year were \$22,616.65; disbursements \$18,544.74.

Expenditure on account of benevolence were \$2,535.80.

The Grand Lecturer reported that many Masters of lodges make innovations in the ritual; stage settings, paraphernalia, robes, lanterns, and other accompaniments are used to give "good stage effect." He also reports that there are lodges which are opened without prayer.

Ernest E. Gatchell was elected Grand Master.

The foreign correspondence is in the able hands of P. G. M. Aldro Jenks, who fills 150 pages with "good readin'."

Bro. Jenks thinks that, in the case where black balls were removed from the ballot box so as to make the blackballing of a candidate impossible, and inquiry failing to bring that offence home to the real offenders, the warrant of the lodge ought to have been arrested. No doubt that view may be taken of it; but then the whole lodge would have suffered for the offence of the few. And is it wise to destroy a good lodge because a few bad Masons have crept into it?

He is also of opinion that Canada will in the end "be compelled" to recognize the Eastern Star as "a quasi Masonic body." Well, the opinion of this present writer is that Canada will be content to adhere to Ancient Craft Masonry as it came to us from the fathers, and will not be led into any modern innovations. Canadian Masons hold still that it is not in the power of any man, or body of men to make innovations in the body of Masonry, and hybrid hermaphrodite, androgynous, half-and-half Masonry has no place in their scheme. Already Grand bodies in the United States are having trouble with the sisters; and in Wisconsin a Master of a lodge wanted to "give a portion of the monitorial lectures" before the ladies. We had better stick to the landmarks, Bro. Jenks, then we will be quite safe. One of the landmarks is that each Mason must be a man, and we find no provision made for as-it-were Masons.

In his concluding remarks Bro. Jenks takes ground that the new Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico has no legitimate standing. He thinks that "the only manner

in which order can be secured in the Mexican chaos is for some legitimate Grand Lodge to treat Mexico as unoccupied territory and issue charters to a sufficient number of brethren for the formation of lodges therein until the requisite three can be had to unite and form a legitimate Grand Lodge." Then the next question will be: Can a sufficient number of regularly-made Masons be found in Mexico to form the three lodges?

Bro. Jenks sees danger in conferences of Grand Masters, holding that, sooner or later, a national Grand Lodge will be formed.

Lodges 266; members 26,766; a net gain of 734.

Ernest E. Gatchell, Hudson, Grand Master.

Wm. W. Perry, Milwaukee, Grand Secretary.

WYOMING.

Thirty-sixth annual Communication, held at Rock Springs September 7 and 8, 1910. Birney H. Sage Grand Master.

Lodges represented 22; unrepresented 8.

The address of the Grand Master is a purely business document, and deals almost exclusively with matters of local interest only. He reports "a steady, healthy increase in membership and finances," and adds that the fund for the orphans' home is assuming such proportions that the erection of the home in the near future is now certain. A number of decisions were given, none of general interest.

During the year Bro. Sage visited one-half of the lodges in the state.

The report on foreign correspondence is by R. W. Bro. W. L. Kuykendall, who, by the way, is serving his twenty-fifth year as Grand Secretary. Bro. Kuykendall is skeptical about some Masonic stories which find their way into print from time to time, and especially those about lives being saved through Masonic signs given to Indians on the war-path. He says:

Having personally been through nearly all kinds of experience with plains Indians when on the war path, I do not remember the time nor the occasion when there was really any danger where a chief ever came close enough to recognize and answer Masonic signs without a bullet knocking him off his pony. Bullets and not signs were depended upon to save everything.

In another place, referring to the Lodge of Edinburgh, No. 1, he says: "Mary's Chapel Lodge has minutes dating back to 1620." This is too modest a

claim: the old minutes of Mary's Chapel date back to 1598.

Lodges 30, including one under dispensation. Members 2,556, a gain of 156.

Hugh Hynds, Laramie, Grand Master.

W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, Grand Secretary.

CONCLUSION.

Little need be added in a general way to the foregoing reviews of the doings of Grand Lodges. Masonry throughout the world is at peace, and everywhere it is making substantial progress. Such is its increase in numbers that in some quarters apprehension is felt that it is growing too rapidly. That fear we cannot share, for in all quarters assurance is given that never before were the character and qualifications of candidates scrutinized as closely as they are now. Masonry strives to be "first pure, then peaceable," and then to carry on its great mission of teaching truth and practicing charity.

The greatness and prosperity of the order certainly expose it to two evils. The first is that unscrupulous men strive to use it for personal gain. Confidence men are continually coming forward with appeals for money under some specious plea for charity or for the promotion of some work which at first sight appears to be good. The Mason who receives one of these appeals should set it down as a swindle unless it is accredited by Masonic officials whom he knows.

One scheme which is now being worked is a "chain letter" asking that ten cents be sent to "Judge Day, Canton, Ohio," for the purpose of erecting a monument to the memory of President McKinley. There is a Judge Day of the Supreme Court of the United States, and his former home was Canton, Ohio; but the apparent use of his name is fraudulent; he has nothing to do with the scheme, which is a swindle pure and simple. It is a wonder the postal authorities of the United States permit the use of the mails for such a purpose.

Another appeal for money is being made by an association of men in Massachusetts "for the erection and permanent maintenance of a Masonic temple in the city of Jerusalem, Palestine, under American auspices." Doubtless this cannot be classed with the chain-letter

plan of getting money. It is quite probable that, if enough money be raised, a Masonic hall of some kind will be opened, and possibly be maintained at Jerusalem. And what good will result? There is already a lodge at Jerusalem, warranted by the Grand Lodge of England; what need is there of a lodge "under American auspices?" A good many years ago the Grand Lodge of Canada warranted a lodge there, and it was used as a money making device, so that the warrant was withdrawn. Is it likely that a new lodge will do any better? Is there any assurance that it will not be utilized, as the old lodge was utilized, to exact backsheesh from tourists?

But the Massachusetts scheme appears to promise more than it does promise. Its periodical begging papers contain letters about "the rebuilding of King Solomon's temple." It conspicuously advertises a book bearing the same title; and these letters and advertisements are so contrived as to lead the unwary to think that the association which begs the money intends to restore the temple of Solomon on Mount Moriah, or something supposed to resemble it. Now, the Mosque of Omar stands on the site of the temple. It is held in such veneration by Mohammedans that no Christian or Jew is permitted to enter it. A serious proposal to tear it down and build on the site a Masonic edifice would precipitate a state of things such as humanity dare not contemplate. But the people who are begging money under this pretence will explain when cornered that they do not propose to tear down the Mosque of Omar and rebuild the temple of Solomon; they merely want Masons to think that to be their design. The wise thing to do is to throw the appeals into the waste paper basket.

From time to time, and frequently, applications are received for recognition of bodies claiming to be Masonic. Some of them undoubtedly are legitimate Masonic bodies, regularly established, and practicing the genuine teachings of Masonry. Not only should the applications not be rejected because the applying bodies are poor and struggling, but for those reasons they are deserving of encouragement. But in many cases the applicants are not deserving; the bodies are not regular, or they do not practice recognized craft Masonry, or they

are formed for political purposes. They are likely to bring discredit on our order, and for that reason they should have no encouragement whatever. One acknowledges that it has been formed by a body of the Scottish Rite, and may be called upon to surrender its independence to that body. Another exists by the will of a body in a foreign country. Another was a Scottish Rite body; but by resolution it decided to be a body of "York Rite" Masons, and now asks the Masonic powers of the world to recognize it as such. Too much care cannot be exercised in giving a certificate of character to grand bodies. For recognition is a certificate of character; and all Masonic bodies will, to some extent, be judged by the character and conduct of its least worthy members.

When a body of Masons claiming to be a Grand Lodge, asks for fraternal recognition it should accompany its application with reasonable proof that it has been legitimately formed; that it practices the fundamental principles of craft Masonry; that it acknowledges dependence upon the Great Architect of the Universe; that it places the Volume of the Sacred Law upon its altars; that it is a sovereign and independent body; and that it does not exist for political purposes. If it cannot do this it should not be recognized.

Fraternally submitted,

A. T. FREED,
(hairman.)

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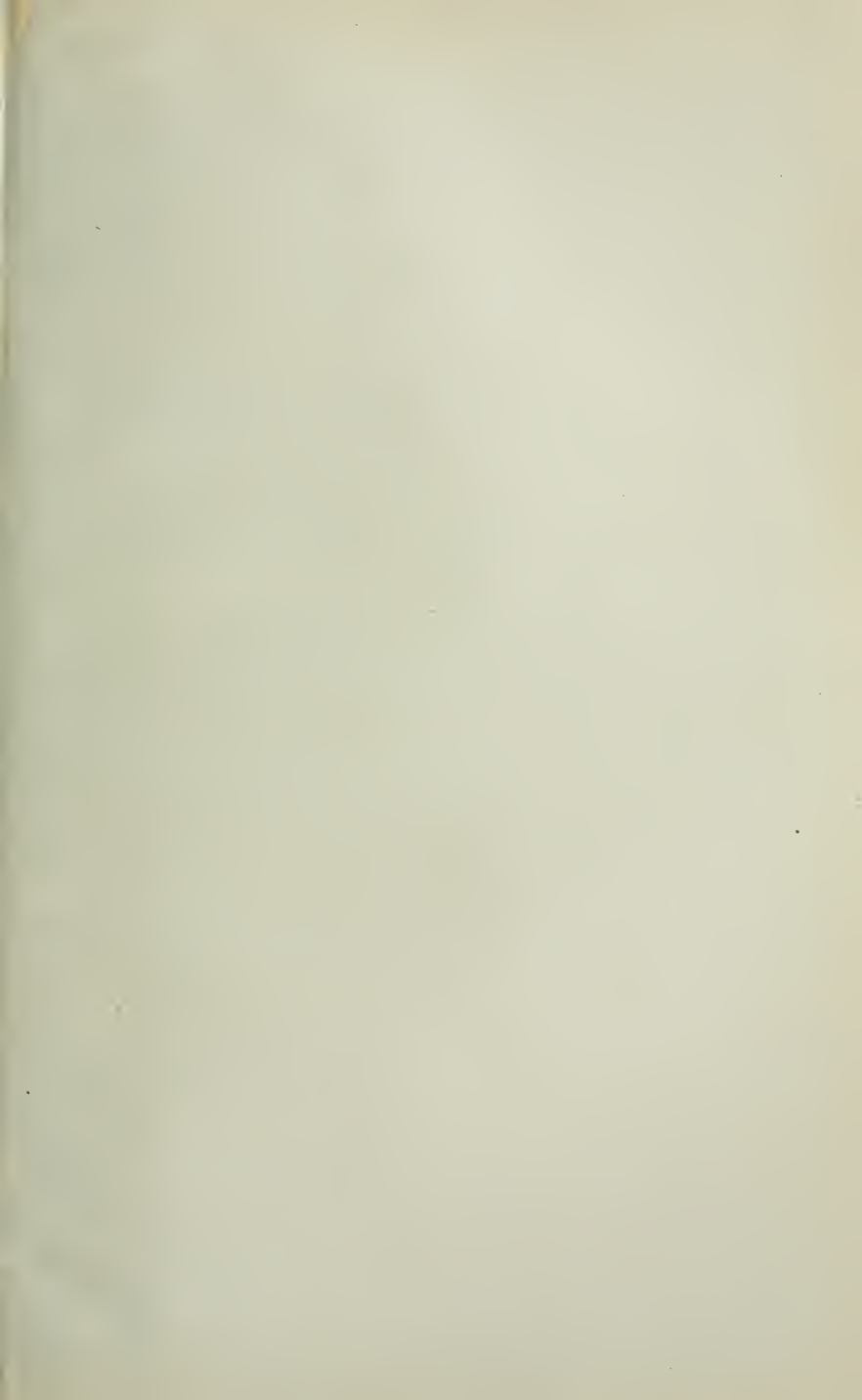
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